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W. L. COMPERE TO SPEAK ON MISS. RADIO HOUR

Rev. W. L. Compere, pastor of the North Side Church Jackson will be the speaker on the Mississippi Radio Hour Sunday afternoon, March 20, at 2:30 CST over the following stations:

WSLI, Jackson; WCBI, Columbus; WMOX, Meridian; WROB, West Point; WELO, Tupelo; WROX, Clarksdale; WLAU, Laurel; WHOC, Philadelphia; WLOX, Biloxi; WAPF, McComb; KWEM, West Memphis; WJMB, Brookhaven.

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Seventh-Day Adventists Make Challenging Report

By Louie D. Newton

Recently on the church page of the Atlanta Journal I read:

"Members of the Seventh-Day Adventist Churches in eight Southern States contributed a record fund for the support and extension of Gospel evangelism during 1948. H. E. Schneider, Treasurer of the Southern Union Seventh-Day Adventist Conference, revealed. The 26,567 members of 332 churches gave \$2,555,577 in tithes and mission offerings."

I immediately wrote Mr. Schneider to ask if this represented the total gifts of his people to missions. He replied:

"Aside from the amount of tithe and foreign mission offerings for our Southern churches during 1948, we have a record of \$356,879 in funds contributed by our church members for local missionary work in their own cities."

"Perhaps you are acquainted with the fact that Seventh-Day Adventists operate their own schools, which most of the members patronize, and which are financed on a tuition basis. No

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L. O. CROSBY, JR.
CHAIRMAN OF SPECIAL
GIFTS COMMITTEE

Shown above is L. O. Crosby, Jr., of Picayune, who is chairman of the Special Gifts Committee of the Mississippi Woman's College Endowment Campaign.

71st Session Mississippi WMU Opens March 29 In Jackson

Meeting To Emphasize Seeing God, Seeing The Fields, Seeing Our Opportunities
CONVENTION THEME TO BE LOOK, LOVE AND LIFT—
Rankin, Martin, Wallas, Chaney, Mein Out-of-State Speakers



Shown above is E. C. Williams, State Sunday School Secretary, receiving check for over \$800 which was a love gift of Mississippi Baptist Sunday Schools.

SECRETARY WILLIAMS GIVEN LOVE OFFERING AT STATE S. S. CONVENTION

On Tuesday night, March 8, at the First Baptist church of Columbus, E. C. Williams, State Sunday School Secretary was presented a love gift from the Sunday Schools of the state in the form of a check for more than \$800 as a token of their appreciation of twenty five years of service with Mississippi Baptist Sunday schools. The presentation was made by Walker Jones, superintendent of the Sunday School of First Church, Philadelphia, during the State Sunday School Convention.

Mr. Williams is a native of Green County. After completing his college

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MAKING WOMANHOOD COUNT

By DR. JAMES W. PARRISH

That is the slogan for the Mississippi Woman's College Campaign which is to be brought to a climax on April 17th.

The churches of the Mississippi Baptist Convention are being asked to give \$225,000 for the increase of endowment for the Hattiesburg institution. It is the desire of the Woman's College family not only to reach the financial goal but to have every loyal Baptist in Mississippi to take

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The 71st annual session of the Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union will be held in the First Baptist Church, Jackson, March 29-31. Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins will be pastor-host.

The theme of the convention will be "Look, Love, Lift." Sessions will be held Tuesday evening; Wednesday morning afternoon and evening and Thursday morning.

Mrs. Wilma Sledge of Jackson is president of the convention.

The opening session will hear a musical program by the Mississippi College Glee Club and addresses by Dr. Wyatt Hunter, pastor of the First church, McComb and Dr. M. Theron Rankin, Executive Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board.

Highlights of the Wednesday morning session include addresses by Miss Bertha Wallis, Field Representative of the Home Mission Board and Mrs. George R. Martin, president of the Southwide W. M. U. This session will also hear a memorial service led by Mrs. J. L. Johnson and "A Look at the Past and a Look at the Future" by the Executive Board.

Features of the Wednesday afternoon session include addresses by Wallis and Rev. David Mein of Brazil.

The Wednesday evening session will feature the young people's work and Mrs. George R. Martin will deliver the address.

Features of the closing session on

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MISS EDWINA ROBINSON

Miss Edwina Robinson, Executive Secretary of the Mississippi Baptist W. M. U., whose report to the convention at Jackson on March 29 will show one of the greatest years in the history of W. M. U.

71ST SESSION MISSISSIPPI WMU

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Thursday morning will be addresses by Miss Bertha Wallis, Miss Edith Chaney, David Mein and committee reports.

According to Miss Edwina Robinson, Executive Secretary of the Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union, 1948 was a great year for the W. M. U. There has been a net gain of 118 new organizations and 3,332 new tithers enlisted. Total Season of Prayer gifts were \$151,477—an increase of \$17,816 over the previous year. Miss Robinson will also report the organization of a State Business Woman's Federation and five new associational Federations in: Hinds, Lebanon, Deer Creek, Riverside and Pike Associations.

The program follows:

W. M. U. CONVENTION PROGRAM.

March 29-31

First Baptist Church, Jackson
THEME: LOOK, LOVE, LIFT
Tuesday night

7:00 Mediation Period — Mississippi College Glee Club.
Worship Period — Rev. Wyatt Hunter, First Baptist Church, McComb.
Special Music — Miss. College Glee Club, directed by E. N. Elsey.
Missionary Message — Dr. M. T. Rankin, Executive Secretary Foreign Mission Board Benediction.

Wednesday morning

8:50 Pre-session prayer meeting led by Mrs. Joe Odle, Gulfport.
9:30 Opening hymn—under direction Reid Moore.
Worship Period — Miss Bertha Wallis, Field Representative Home Mission Board.
Memorial Service, led by Mrs. J. L. Johnson.
Missionary Message—Miss Edith Chaney, Africa.
A Look at the Past and a Look to the Future—Executive Board.
Special Music—Blue Mountain College Trio.
Missionary Message — Mrs. George R. Martin, President Woman's Missionary Union. S. B. C. Benediction.

Wednesday Afternoon

2:00 Worship Period
Reading of the Minutes.
Missionary Message—Miss Bertha Wallis, Field Representative Home Mission Board Hymn.
Missionary Message—Mr. David Mein, Brazil.
Benediction.

Wednesday night

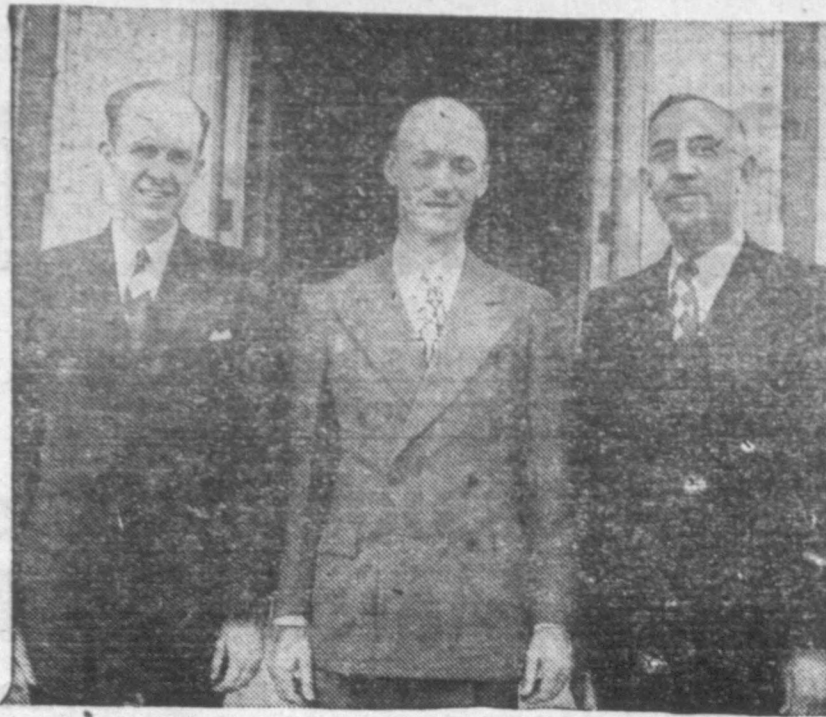
7:00 Meditation Period.
Young People's Session—speaker: Mrs. George R. Martin.

Thursday morning

8:50 Pre-session Prayer Meeting led by Mrs. Joe Odle, Gulfport.
9:30 Worship Period—Miss Bertha Wallis, Home Mission Board. Recognition Local Committee.
Missionary Message—Miss Edith Chaney, Africa.
Report of Committees.
Missionary Message—Mr. David Mein, Brazil.
Benediction.

MUSIC—The congregational singing

OFFICERS OF MODERATORS AND CLERKS CONFERENCE



Rev. William Lowrey Compere, pastor of Northside Baptist Church, Jackson, was elected chairman of the Moderators and Clerks Conference of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, at the opening of the session at the Baptist Building.

Rev. Norris Hickman of Louisville was elected clerk, and Rev. W. C. Drummond, Jr., of Wesson was elected vice-chairman.

Shown above are: Rev. W. C. Drummond, Jr., vice-chairman of the Moderators and Clerks Conference; Rev. Wm. Lowrey Compere, Chairman; and Rev. N. G. Hickman, clerk.

W. M. U. CONVENTION SPEAKER



MRS. GEORGE R. MARTIN

One of the speakers at the Convention to be held March 29-31 at the First Baptist Church Jackson will be the President Woman's Missionary Union, S. B. C., Mrs. George R. Martin of Norfolk, Virginia. She will speak Wednesday morning and again on Wednesday night at the Young People's Session.

The Convention theme will be LOOK, LOVE, LIFT, emphasizing the importance of seeing the Lord, the fields, their needs, our opportunities etc., all of which should lead to DOING, as well as BEING.

will be led by Mr. Reid Moore, Director of music First Baptist Church, Jackson. Miss Hazel Chisholm will serve as organist. The Blue College Trio will be in charge of the Meditation and Benediction periods, except for the opening session when the Mississippi College Glee Club will be in charge.

Speaker Tuesday Evening



REV. WYATT HUNTER

The opening worship period of the Convention will be led by Rev. Hunter, using the theme of the Convention LOOK, LOVE, LIFT as the subject.

Palestine Committee Offers Literature, Films, Speakers

The growing interest in Israel and the entire Near East has prompted the American Christian Palestine Committee to offer again the various summer conferences — pastors, laymen and youth—literature films and speakers.

Any group interested in including in their conference programs a discussion of such questions as "Is Israel a thorough-going democracy?" "What effect will its democratic principles have upon surrounding Arab nations?" "What are the prospects for achieving a creative peace between Israel and the Arab States?" "Would President Truman's bold new program to develop backward areas of the world, if applied to the Near East, create the abundance necessary to bring a good life to all the people of that vast region?"—is invited to contact the AMERICAN CHRISTIAN PALESTINE COMMITTEE, 41 East 42nd Street, New York 17, N. Y.

SECRETARY WILLIAMS GIVEN

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work at Mississippi College, he taught in several of the high schools in the state served in the first world war and was business manager of the Baptist Bible Institute, now The New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary.

For a number of years Mr. Williams served as an associate to State S. S. Secretary J. E. Byrd. At Mr. Byrd's death in 1937 Mr. Williams was elected State S. S. Secretary.

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

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tuition is included in the above figures."

And Now for the Comparison

I wrote Dr. Merrill Moore, Director of Promotion of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, asking him how much Southern Baptists gave in 1948 for all missionary, benevolent and educational causes. He replied: \$31,750,299, or an average per capita gift of \$4.89. I computed the average per capita gift of Southern Seventh-Day Adventists, and it worked out \$109.63.

Then, to see what Southern Baptists would give, if we gave as Southern Seventh-Day Adventists give, to missions, benevolence and Christian education, and the answer is, \$711,514,877.03. Selah.

MAKING WOMANHOOD COUNT

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part in reaching that goal. Invest a part of yourself in Mississippi Woman's College. The school wants the good will and prayers of people of all ages. When you good mothers and daddies make your offering to God for Woman's College don't leave the children out. Ask each one what each would like to give. Better still, why not place a receptacle of your own choosing in the middle of your dining table and have the whole family join in a sacrifice offering for Woman's College. Every reputable writer on family life is praising the value of all-inclusive projects for the whole family. Here is a worthy project—Mississippi Woman's college. If you decide to make this a family project send a card to Dr. I. E. Rouse at Hattiesburg. It will give impetus to the whole effort. Make sure that your family has a part in MAKING WOMANHOOD COUNT.

STEELE CHURCH ADVANCES

Rev. Parkes Marler leads Steele Church in noteworthy spiritual and material growth.

Upon his acceptance of the church about a year ago, the church went from quarter to half time services. In the past six months the church has added a new roof, asbestos siding, new windows and window frames, wallboard on the inside, and two new rooms. The church has also installed butane gas and fluorescent lights and built new benches. A large picture of Sallman's "Head of Christ" has been hung behind the lectern, and a new set of Broadman Hymnals has been procured.

The six-point record system in Sunday School and the eight-point record system in B. T. U. have been instigated, and steps toward becoming a standard-B. T. U., including a study course completed recently, have been taken. The pastor is leading in a prayer meeting and Bible study.

Rev. Parkes, a senior at Mississippi College, is the pastor. Mrs. Marler, nee Martha Ellen Townsend, is a graduate of Mississippi College.

Mississippi Baptists—Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails." I Corinthians 13:8

I
Assistant Executive Secretary, William P. Davis, wrote the material for this column last week. His name should have been at the top of the page instead of being at the bottom. The style was different and refreshing. We thank him.

II
SIX GREAT ALL DAY SOUL WINNING MASS MEETINGS 9:00 A. M. UNTIL 9:00 P. M. APRIL 4-9 AS FOLLOWS: MONDAY, CLINTON; TUESDAY, BROOKHAVEN; WEDNESDAY, BILOXI; THURSDAY, MERIDIAN; FRIDAY, PONTOTOC, AND SATURDAY, CLARKSDALE.

Dr. Robert G. Lee, Memphis, one of the world's best preachers, is the featured out of state speaker. Our own fine singers, pastors, and laymen will also be greatly used of God in these programs.

THESE SERVICES ARE FOR EVERYBODY, MEN, WOMEN, BOYS, AND GIRLS, MORNING, AFTERNOON, AND NIGHT SESSIONS—DINNER ON THE GROUND! COME AND GET EVERYBODY ELSE TO COME. THESE SERVICES WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR YEARS BY ALL WHO ATTEND AND BY ALL WHO HEAR ABOUT THEM.

III
We greatly enjoyed a recent Sunday at County Line, Copiah County. The house was filled by two congregations and the spirit was fine. The auditorium is one of the most lovely we have seen. Pastor Richard J. Sweetman and Mrs. Sweetman are proving great leaders for a great congregation. They have family night on Friday night and well attended. Two by letter during the day.

In the afternoon we dropped by Terry Baptist Church for a visit with Pastor Thurman Booth, another one of our finest. They have just completed a lovely educational plant that is a bit in a class by itself. We congratulate them upon their progress in the work.

A great congregation was present at Holly Springs Baptist Church on Wednesday night for a deacon ordination service. Miss Patsy Bailey had joined the forces there and was happy in her work. The people had given her a splendid reception. Pastor H. H. Aultman and his family were happy as usual.

IV
We were happy to be with Pastor Grady Stringer at Richburg Baptist Church, Lebanon Association. An effort is being made to revive the work here at this church which at one time had a very active work going. Brother Foy Rogers and some of his folks were over in the afternoon service.

In the evening we were at Oak Grove with Pastor R. C. Bounds. The house was packed with a fine congregation and the spirit of the people was good.

Wednesday evening we were with Brother Grady Smith at Paul Truett Memorial. A good evening prayer meeting congregation was present in a lovely house of worship that is nearing completion. These pastors are among our best.

V
Sunday morning we were at New Hope with Pastor C. S. Moulder. They were dedicating a new library in a high hour. The congregation filled the lovely house of worship. Brother Moulder was a good B. S. U. Secretary, has done denominational work successfully, and now leads in a fine program as pastor.

At the evening hour we were with East Jackson Baptist Church as they went into their lovely new house of worship. The congregation packed the house. The spirit was fine. Rev. L. S. Polk, another one of our warmhearted pastors, leads in a great work here.

VI
While on the Coast in other engagements we attended the Gulf Coast Pas-

tors Conference. While not on the program, we were asked to bring a message. This we did in about twenty minutes. They then asked us to give some of the inside history of the Bookkeeping Department and Mississippi Baptist life in general. The response was expressively sympathetic.

On Sunday evening we heard Pastor G. C. Hodge bring a refreshing message from one of the Psalms. A good congregation was present. The service was worshipful.

At the Evangelistic Conference, Columbus, Dr. C. E. Matthews in two sessions poured out more evangelistic methods than we had ever heard in a similar period of time. He is a great leader for this hour.

VII
Our tenth Mississippi Baptist Evangelistic Conference is now history. It met at First Baptist Church, Columbus, where Dr. S. R. Woodson and his people did everything possible for our convenience and comfort. Dr. Woodson is one of our gracious and dynamic preachers and his church one of the best in the South. We are indebted to Columbus, Lowndes County, the radio station, newspapers, etc.

40 persons were on the program, and as we have always found, our own preachers came through with inspiring gospel messages. Dr. W. A. Criswell, Dallas, was at his best. Read John 3:16 and you have his message. Read I Corinthians 13 and you have his spirit. Read the fruits of the Spirit as listed by Paul and you have his characteristics.

We have not seen the spirit finer in a Conference.

VIII
We had the joy of piloting Dr. W. A. Criswell, First Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas, in the Gospel Flyer from Jackson to Columbus for the Evangelistic Conference. We had a prayer meeting all the way. As we got into the aid, Dr. Criswell wanted to know if we had ever landed at the Columbus field. We assured him we had done so several times. He then wanted to know if we flew the highways. We assured him that we did not but flew straight across country by compass and contact. We were facing a 25 miles an hour cross and head wind. Trying to get above it we went up to 6000 feet altitude. Dr. Criswell observed that we were pretty high. We found the wind blowing stronger up there so we came back down to 5000 feet at which altitude we remained.

Dr. Criswell got to looking at the crack around the door and concluded that the door was not fastened. He slammed it a couple of times and observed that the latch only caught by about 1/16 of an inch when it was closed.

As we got over Columbus we had come down to 1000 feet altitude. We pointed out the First Baptist Church building to him. We told him we would tilt the plane so he could better see it. As we did so we glanced back and found him not looking at all but rather trying to climb on the upper side of the plane. He was still thinking about that door. He told the congregation later that he never did see that building.

He later made everything all right by offering to fly back with us from Columbus, but our pastor, Dr. Nolan Kennedy, was there to transport him.

Seriously, much of the greatness of Dr. Criswell is in his spirit. He made not only a tremendous spiritual contribution at the Evangelistic Conference but to many of us personally.

IX
You will appreciate the following very fine letter from Brother W. L. Grafton concerning the support of all the work through the Cooperative Program.

"Dear Brother McCall:

Bay Springs Church gives 25 percent of total collections, Stonewall 10 percent, Salem 15 percent and Union Hill 10 percent through the Cooperative Program. Each church has the E. F. Plan. Salem, Stonewall and Union Hill have adopted the plan this year.

Yours for the Master
W. L. Grafton"

X
In Matthew, chapter 5, verse 10, 11, and 12, Jesus said, "Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for their's is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you."

We so frequently miss the New Testament message and meaning. How many of us have grown in grace to the point that we rejoice and are exceeding glad from persecution because of our great reward in heaven? Did Jesus mean what he said? Was he speaking theoretically or practically?

XI
During days in the pastorate as we tried to stir up the people in the singing of gospel songs, we found ourselves with the tendency to sing the same songs over and over again. We checked on ourself by using the same song book and writing down the date when we used each song. This helped a great deal in giving us variety in the song service. At times we found it helpful to check our preaching. It is easy for a preacher to fall into "hobby" habits in just preaching certain doctrines or in preaching against certain sins, and leaving unmentioned other sins that are just as base and low as the ones mentioned. Of course in the Sermon on the Mount, we have various sins mentioned. One of the first listings of sins by Jesus is in the 15th chapter of Matthew, verse 19. Some terrible sins are included in this list and then one or two are listed that people ordinarily might not think are so bad. The last listing in the New Testament suggesting sin is found in Revelation 22:15. The next to the last listing of sins, is suggested in Revelation 21:8. How does our preaching stack up with such listing of sin. Paul gives to a young preacher in I Timothy 1:9-10, the following listing of sins: "Knowing this, that the law is not made for a righteous man, but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and for sinners, for unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers, For whoremongers, for them that defile themselves, with mankind, for menstealers, for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine."

We hear some preaching on some of these sins, but we seldom hear preaching on some of these other sins. It is very likely that Paul under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit knew that he was speaking about. In Galatians 5:17-21, we have another listing of sins. Here hatred, strife, wrath, and such like are listed with such terrible sins as adultery, murder, and drunkenness. "For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would. But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law. Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in the time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God." How does our preaching stack up with this list of sins?

Sin in its most degraded form is prob-

HEIDELBERG TO OCCUPY NEW CHURCH ON APRIL 1



REV. WYATT M. GILBERT

Heidelberg Church will move into their new church plant on Sunday, April 1. For the first time in the history of the church, organized in 1883, ample and adequate educational facilities will be enjoyed.

The new church plant is modern in every respect with 4 assembly rooms and 12 class rooms, a kitchen, Pastor's study, and rest rooms. The auditorium is beautiful in design with the baptistry and choir having a prominent place in the architectural planning. The baptistry is entered from the second floor of the educational building. There are two dressing rooms for the convenience of candidates. The auditorium will have stained glass windows, which have been given as memorials. The lighting fixtures are modern and add much to the beauty of the building.

The church has had notable growth in its organizational life. The Sunday School has reached an all time high in attendance, the Training Union has marked growth; the W. M. U. has a complete organization with all auxiliaries and two circles.

The pastor, Rev. Wyatt M. Gilbert, came to the church 17 months ago. He is attending the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary as a second year student.

MOULDER HOLDS REVIVAL AT CONCORD CHURCH

Rev. D. W. Moulder led the Concord Church, Smith County, in a revival the week of February 20-25.

Mr. Moulder pastored Concord church at two different times: first, in 1911-12 and again from 1933 to 1936, making a total of seven years.

During these years he preached 226 sermons and baptized 123. At the present time Concord is pastorless.

THE LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING has passed the \$1,142,312 mark.

ably presented in detail more in Romans 1:18-32 than any other place in the Bible. We are not quoting it but if you want to see sin in its depths read carefully all these words of all these verses. How does our preaching stack up with every last sin named in these verses? Probing our hearts still more, how does our professed Christian living stack up with the things that are said in this portion of the Word of God?

"For the wages of sin is death." Romans 6:23, but we are very happy for the remainder of that verse, "For the gift of God is eternal life, through Christ Jesus, Our Lord." Doxology!

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Home And Foreign Mission Day

March 27 or the nearest convenient Sunday has been designated as Home and Foreign Mission Day in our Sunday Schools. The program title is "Making Peace through Christ." It was prepared by J. D. Sapp.

The purpose of this program is to inform, inspire and to enlist our people in the great task of Home and Foreign Missions.

Every Sunday School should have this program at some convenient Sunday, preferably March 27, during the month of March. This Program will inform, inspire and enlist those who hear it. It will also cause some to want to make an offering for Home and Foreign Missions. Every Sunday School should make this special offering. It may be true that many who are at the service that day will be regular contributors, but there are always some who are not regular contributors and some who are not contributors at all. And they should be given an opportunity and urged to use that opportunity to support Baptist Home and Foreign Mission work around the world.

Offering envelopes may be secured by writing and giving the number needed to the Committee on Denominational Calendar, 171 Eighth Avenue, North, Nashville 2, Tennessee.

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Send Your Pastor

Your church should have several representatives to attend the Southern Baptist Convention in Oklahoma City in May. One of the representatives should be your pastor. Those who attend the Convention will bring back to your church the inspiration from the messages, the addresses and the reports of all agencies of our Convention.

As your representative your pastor will have had a part in making decisions and setting policies in the

Convention.

Along with the information he will be inspired by the fellowship of other great Christian preachers who will attend the Convention.

Arrange for him to go with the church providing sufficient money to take care of his expenses both for travel and entertainment. Other organizations plan from one year to the next to send their representatives to state and national Conventions. If your church has not provided for your pastor's expenses to the Convention through the church budget, the deacons should take the matter in hand.

Make your pastor a better pastor and preacher by sending him to the Southern Baptist Convention to be held in Oklahoma City, May 18-22. He should go in time for the pastor's conference and stay through the closing session on the twenty-second.

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What Is Wrong?

Editors of the secular press are getting in some strong licks these days on conditions that have developed in their communities. We are always glad to see courageous writers attack entrenched evils. It does call for courage on the part of the Bay St. Louis editor who printed the article below, under the title above. We reproduce some of his remarks and rejoice in his "spunk." We quote:

Is the Gulf Coast completely dominated by a slot machine syndicate? What is the matter with the people of our country? Have they no insides? How many more boys and girls are we going to sacrifice on the altar of these pagans men?

Tell you boy to be honest. No wonder he laughs in your face.

Tell your girl that virtue is the best way of life when there is no decent work for her, no way of earning enough to buy food and raiment other than to work in honkeytonks and bar restaurants.

And if you really believe that the honest path is the best path for your children, then you better step out, Mr. and Mrs. Throw the slots out of your stores, get the bottle out of your cupboard, and obey the laws of your state, and insist that others obey them.

If you fail to do this, then don't start bellyaching if you wake up some morning with young Johnnie in jail and young Susie in trouble.

All this tripe about child delinquency gives me a pain. It isn't the kids that are delinquent, it is the parents.

All the teen-age clubs in the world will fail if down the block there is a gin joint with

more bright lights, more low music, more mushy, degenerate song singers, or dope peddlers, with their muggles cigarettes, and their football sleeping pills.

All of the teen-age clubs will fail if you leave your kids there and then go on to these tougher, brighter places yourself, where you may play bingo or keno or some other so-called mild form of gambling, and help to finance your children's downfall.

In the old days of church fairs and socials, all of the family, old and young, went to the same places. Most of them behaved themselves.

Some place where all the family can find some form of decent, harmless fun would be better than trying to reform the kids while the parents run wild.

Are the four or five contemptible, filthy, unmoral creatures who make up, protect, the slot machine operators, stronger than our leading citizens?

Roses do not grow on cabbage bushes. — The Light.

—BR—

Should Ministers Be Paid Funeral Fees?

A question quite often asked and recently discussed by Editor S. H. Jones in the Baptist Courier (S. C.) is, "Should ministers be paid for conducting funerals?" Quite often the same question is asked of us.

The custom of payment to ministers for conducting funerals seems widespread in the North but rare in the South.

During the years we were a pastor we never made a charge or expected a fee for conducting funerals. But we often felt that we didn't get a square deal. For we were often called upon to drive 50 or 75 miles to conduct a funeral. We didn't expect pay, but a little expense money would not have been out of place.

Many times we were called upon to conduct services for total strangers, even people brought in from distant points. Certainly the pastor expects to take care of his flock but there is, at least, a question concerning outsiders.

But editor Jones expresses our feeling. Read below what he thinks about the matter:

Perhaps this question may seem strange to some because it is not the general custom in this area, as in some others to pay for such services. We raise the question because some people seem not to have considered it properly and some want to know what is the right thing to do in such

cases.

So far as we know, ministers never make a charge for such services or expect to be paid when they accept such engagements. It is simply a question to be answered by those who call on the ministers for funeral services. Our answer, in general terms, would be that no payment is in order if the family of the deceased has any pastoral claim upon the minister. That would include, mainly, members of the church and their family connections and possibly a few others. But, when no such pastoral relation exists and when the minister must travel any considerable distance to render the service, he should be paid.

We make this observation because many of our ministers are called upon frequently to conduct these services at great personal inconvenience, loss of time, and financial expense which they can ill afford. It is certainly no personal favor to the minister when he is called for such services. We know of no minister who would ever refuse to go, or even complain, when he is called. Yet it seems that people might be more thoughtful and, at least, take care of the actual expenses involved.

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Selected Editorial

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—
Editor.

Tribute To A Pastor's Wife

By Paul Flowers, Columnist
Memphis Commercial Appeal

It's long overdue, so here's a bow to the pastor's wife. She has to be, at one and the same time, a perfect companion, an immaculate housekeeper, an ideal mother, an accomplished teacher, an infallible source of wisdom in matters religious, social, domestic and even economic; a fountain of overflowing sympathy for those who come to her with real or fancied troubles; a business manager able to buy \$2 worth of living with every \$1 of income; a diplomat, and a musician.

She has to have poise, sweetness, composure and dignity, even in the midst of the most violent emotional storms that rage about her. And then, when days' work is done, she has to turn cheer leader and convince her pastor-husband that he is not a failure, that his burdens are not too heavy to bear, and that he really has one friend left in a materialistic and unthinking world.

Sunday is her big day. For then she rises with the dawn and feeds her pastor, who, like many public characters, is under tension before facing the public. While she scrubs her brood, if she did not get it done Saturday night, she must soft-pedal the confusion so that he will not be distracted

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while he mentally goes over points one, two and three of the forthcoming sermon, with appropriate attention to sub-topics a, b and c under each.

She must leave the house in first class condition, and betake herself and the children to Sunday school ahead of time—to be late would be unforgivable for the pastor's family must set an example.

She must herd her own youngsters into the proper places, with quiet admonishments to remember that they must not bring reproach upon their father, and remind them to meet her after Sunday school, to sit quietly and with proper respect while their father dispenses the Gospel. She probably teaches a Sunday school class, and must be prepared to do it equally well with the Cradle Roll as with the Grandmother's Class. Doubtless she will have to play the piano for class songs, or at least lead the singing.

She'd better have dinner prepared in advance, for there's no telling when a fellow minister, an old collegemate of the pastor's will appear, and naturally be asked to the "pastorium" for dinner.

Church over, she must remain with the pastor until the last lingering brother and sister have gone home and she must have tender words and gracious smiles for all of them.

She must be by his side every time the church doors open, whether it be prayer meeting, choir practice or teacher's meeting, and she must be active in the missionary society. Perhaps she may stay away from meetings of the deacons or stewards, but she can devote those idle moments to phoning members of the block who were absent from services last Sunday. She must call on the sick and afflicted, and sew for the orphans, and keep socks darned for her own brood.

The pastor's wife earns her keep, and what is more, she does it because she wants to. She loves her pastor-husband, she is devoted to the ideas of his calling, and she loves people, those who need his ministrations and her comfort.

There ought to be a special place of honor in the Sweet By and By for pastor's wives. — Illinois Baptist.

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CONVENTION MESSENGERS SHOULD BE CERTIFIED

By Joe W. Burton, Secretary
Southern Baptist Convention

Registration cards for the certification of messengers who will attend the annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention are now available from the office of the Executive Secretary of each state Baptist Convention.

Messengers should be appointed by the churches according to the following provision of the Constitution in the Southern Baptist Convention:

"Article III. Membership: The Convention shall consist of messengers who are members of missionary Baptist churches co-operating with the Convention as follows:

1. One messenger for each regular Baptist church which is in friendly co-operation with this convention and sympathetic with its purpose and work and has during the fiscal year preceding been a bona fide contributor to the Convention's work.
2. One additional messenger from

DR. GARTENHAUS RETIRED



DR. JACOB GARTENHAUS

Dr. Jacob Gartenhaus, who has just completed 28 years of service with the Home Mission Board as "ambassador to the Jews," has been retired from service by the Home Mission Board.

By action of the executive committee his retirement became effective March 3, 1949. Brother Gartenhaus assured the Board of his acceptance of its action and of his good will toward the Home Mission Board.

In 1921, just after his graduation from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Dr. Gartenhaus began his service with the Board. For 23 years he has promoted the Friends of Israel movement which has sought to enlist Baptists in the winning of Jewish friends to a saving knowledge of Christ. He is the author of six books on Jewish evangelism, the latest being *What of the Jews?* released last summer.

Brother Gartenhaus' influence and ministry through the years has extended far beyond the area of the Southern Baptist Convention. He is president of the Hebrew Christian Alliance of America and has made numerous trips to foreign countries in the interest of his people. He has made a lasting contribution to the work of Christ.

Now he goes into a wider ministry among his people with the good wishes of a multitude of friends among Southern Baptists.

Let us all remember him in our prayers.

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March 27 Is Designated As Calvary Building Fund Day

The Deer Creek pastor's conference is sponsoring a special day to be known as Calvary Building Fund Day. Every Baptist Church in the Association is asked to make an offering on March 27 to aid Calvary of Greenville in building needed auditorium space. Full details will appear in next week's Record.

Rev. Robert B. Dickson, Jr., is pastor.

each such church for every 250 members; or for each \$250.00 paid to the work of the Convention during the fiscal year preceding the annual meeting.

3. The messengers shall be appointed and certified by the churches to the Convention, but no church may appoint more than ten (10).

Dr. Leo B. Golden Succeeds Dr. R. B. Gunter At Pickens



DR. LEO B. GOLDEN

Dr. Leo B. Golden begins his service as pastor at Pickens March 27, coming from Glenwood Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma. He was for some years pastor of this church several years ago, leaving to attend the Southern Seminary. He recently received his Th. D. degree from Central Seminary, Kansas City, Kansas. He was also pastor of First Church, Columbia, several years ago.

Dr. Golden will be remembered by his many friends in Mississippi as the winner of Mississippi's Inter-collegiate Oratorical medal while a student in Mississippi College, and as an evangelistic pastor and a pastor-evangelist.

The Pickens Church is launching a building program and will soon have a complete new auditorium and educational building. We shall watch the progress of this good church.

Four Staunch Members Pass In Twelve Months

New Hope church Covington County, in the past twelve months has sustained a great loss in the going of four of its oldest members in age and service.

The first great loss to the church and community was the going of Mrs. Alice Lott Watts, 82. Although confined to her bed for many years, she bore her illness with patience and the Christian Spirit. She left her husband, "Uncle" Rube Watts and one daughter, Mrs. Nate William, and a daughter-in-law Mrs. Van Watts.

Mrs. Mattie Watts Beasley, 72, of Seminary, passed away in the home of her sister, Mrs. E. W. Beasley, following several months of illness.

Next to pass away was Mrs. Permelia Watts Lott, 72, who was in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Eva Cameron. Many times during her six months confinement she would break down in tears as she was not able to attend services at old New Hope church and worship again there.

The fourth loss was "Uncle" Charlie Lowery, 82, who united with New Hope Church at an early age and continued his worship there until a few days before his going to his Heavenly reward. Mr. Lowery reared a large family, bringing them up in the church.

All four of these pioneer settlers were loyal soldiers of the Cross. They lived and died in the faith. New Hope Baptist church feels that their loss is Heaven's gain.

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JUNEAU, ALASKA —(RNS)— THE Territorial House of Representatives voted here to amend Alaska's liquor law to permit lodges and clubs to build their quarters less than 200 feet from churches and schools.

A FINANCIAL PICTURE

The Budget Committee of the Convention Board accepted the general budget form as it came from the bookkeeping department. However, it was so inadequate that the chairman has asked us to present the following analysis:

PROPOSED BUDGET 1949

	Ex. Sec.	Asst. Ex. Sec.	Book-keeping Manager	General Dept.
Salaries:				
Executive Secretary, Office Helpers, Promotional Clerks (6 persons)	\$16,800			
Executive Secretary Special Expense	1,200			
Executive Secretary Utilities	300			
Bookkeepers Salaries			\$10,000	
Assistant Executive Secretary's Budget (Included in this budget are the salaries of the Assistant Executive Secretary and office secretary, office expenses, travel expenses, etc.)		\$12,000		
Travel	2,975			
Expense:				
Office Secretaries to Convention	250			
Travel to Associational Meetings				\$ 1,000
Office Expense	500		500	500
Supplies	500		500	500
Building Maintenance				3,000
Postage	1,500		500	1,000
Telephone & Telegrams	750		250	250
Printing:				
Convention Bulletins				1,250
State Annuals				750
Moderators' & Clerks' Programs				1,250
Tracts	600			600
Envelopes & Letterheads	500		500	500
Tithing Cards				500
Expense Forms & Receipts			250	
Conventions & Conferences	500			500
Promotion	2,500			2,500
Cuts & Mats				50
Preparing Associational Reports				75
Express	100			
Auditor			700	
Bond for Employees				150
Insurance				150
Dues & Subscriptions				100
Exchange on Checks			1,000	
Automobile Purchase	2,000			
Miscellaneous				2,500
	\$30,975	\$12,000	\$14,200	\$17,125

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

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Subscribe for "Southern Baptist Home Missions." The Training Union Department is happy to cooperate with The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention in emphasizing subscriptions to the magazine, Southern Baptist Home Missions, during March.

Subscription rates are increasing April 1. All subscriptions received to Southern Baptist Home Missions postmarked on or before March 31 will be accepted at the present rate of 25 cents for individual subscriptions, five years for \$1.00, or church budgets at the rate of 20 cents each for church families. New rates will be approximately double the prevailing price of subscriptions: 50 cents for individuals; 3 years for \$1.00; and 3 cents per month through the church budget.

The Training Union emphasis on missions with two pages in the Training Union Magazine monthly devoted voted to mission study, places missions in its proper perspective in Training Church Members.

Missions is our mission. The mission magazines endeavor to inform the people on missionary personnel, mission opportunities, and missionary impetus.

Three indispensable tools for Training Union, especially for its Missionary Programs and Missionary Committee work are, The Baptist Record, Southern Baptist Home Missions, and The Commission. From these three all facts concerning the plans, programs and progress of our entire denominational mission program are gathered. Each union should be a regular subscriber all three of these periodicals.

Does your Training Union Calendar call for Youth Week next month?

Are your plans complete for your spring study course? April is the best time for it perhaps, but any time you can get the members of a union together for study is a good time. Try to average one study course award for every enrolled member this year. Some unions will do better than that.

An Associational Director writes in appreciation of "D" Day.

"No words, no matter how carefully chosen, can express how much we appreciate you coming our way to help us in our training union work. We feel that we spent one of the most worthwhile evenings in Training Union study that we have ever had in Lauderdale County. Expressions of appreciation are still coming in from pastors and laymen alike. I am sure that memory of that night ("D" Day, February 4) will help us to plan a more efficient and effective training program because many who did not come and heard about it told me that if they had known what was to be they would have gone there instead of elsewhere." Thanks to Miss Irmo-gene Tucker, Lauderdale Associational Director. This was addressed to the quintet who represented the State Training Union Department on "D" Day in Lauderdale.

Covington has simultaneous Group meetings

Covington Co. is divided into two

groups and each quarter these groups meet for their mass meeting. They have their meetings on the same night and the programs are identical except for personnel. Mr. Chester Roberts and Rev. O. B. Renick are the Group Directors, and on Monday night February 28th these meetings were held. The meetings were held at Cold Springs and Seminary, respectively with 303 in attendance from 14 churches, all that have a union in the association. 14 directors and 6 pastors were present. At Cold Springs the attendance was 156 and at Seminary 147. Mrs. C. C. Rogers, Associational Director, thinks this was a mighty fine demonstration of interest. These meetings were just 10 days later than "D" Day at which 325 attended. We think this is mighty fine also. We doubt if the record can be equaled. Their "Elimination" Program will be an all day meeting with "dinner on the ground."



Music Festivals for 1949

Many of the churches are still making requests for the Music Emphasis Sheets from the Training Union Department. These Music Emphasis Sheets outline the 1949 music festivals to be held, and any church desiring copies of the sheets will please make request for them immediately from the Training Union Department.

There will be three festivals, the Associational Festival, the District Festival, and the State Festival. The Ensemble Festival and the Hymn Festival in each of the above cases will be held at the same time. It should be remembered that the ensembles and hymn players in associations that do not hold the associational festival, will be permitted to go directly from the church to the district festival which will be held during the District Training Union Conventions in June.

It should be remembered that there will not be any elimination contest in the music. Each ensemble and each hymn player will progress from one festival to another, but will be graded as to Superior, Excellent, Good, or Fair, in each festival.

A State Music Festival will be held during the State Training Union Convention next December 29 and 30. At this time each ensemble will have a chance to sing, and each hymn player will have a chance to play. Each will be graded as above. During the State Festival, a mass chorus will be formed using all of the ensembles to make up this chorus. Other interesting features will appear on this program.

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A COPY OF THE MINUTES OF THE Hinds County Association has been sent to the Baptist Record. A good job was done of both the preparation and the printing. The next meeting will be held on October 20 at the Parkway Church, Jackson.

LOS ANGELES —(RNS)— TWO MORE Southern California Baptist elementary schools will be added next September to six similar schools now being operated by the denomination, it was announced here by C. Rowan Lunsford, director of Christian education for the Los Angeles Baptist City Mission Society.

CHAIRMAN OF DISTRICT II



DR. W. S. HARDIN

Dr. W. S. Hardin is Chairman of District II for the Woman's College Endowment Campaign.

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Charlie Hawthorn Ordained; Accepts Sand Ridge Pastorate

Rev. Charlie Hawthorn, who was licensed to preach the gospel about six months ago, was ordained on February 17 at the Rehobeth Church, Rankin County.

The ordination Council was composed of the following: Rev. Grady Smith, who presented the Bible; Rev. Montie Davis, who preached the ordination sermon and Rev. Harold Jones, and Rev. Odel Thrash.

Mr. Hawthorn is a student at Clarke College and has accepted the pastorate of Sand Ridge Church in Scott County.

BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE

Mrs. Sadie Tiller Crawley, vice-president of Blue Mountain College and a member of the Southwide Baptist Student Forum panel, is leading a seminar on "Courtship, Love, Marriage and the Home" this week at Louisiana College as a part of religious focus week. She is also holding informal discussions in the dormitories, having personal conferences with the students and visiting in the classrooms.

Dr. Wilfred C. Tyler, head of the Bible Department at Blue Mountain College, recently taught the Book of John in a study course at the Woodland Heights Baptist Church, Richmond, Va., of which Dr. M. J. White is pastor. Last year Dr. Tyler taught the Book of Ephesians at the same church.

Miss Helen Bolt, student secretary at Blue Mountain College, taught a study course in the First Baptist Church, Carrabelle, Fla., last week.

Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet* was presented at Blue Mountain College this week by the National Classic Theater. George Bernard Shaw's comedy *Pygmalion* will be presented by The Touring Players, Inc., March 17.

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METHODISTS HAVE OPENED A \$100,000 Negro rural center in Mississippi.

Outstanding Laymen and Pastors On Seminary Board

Some of the outstanding laymen and pastors of the state have been named on the board of trustees of the Mississippi Baptist Seminary. The committee on Negro work for the Mississippi Baptist Convention is headed by Dr. J. D. Ray of Starkville, as chairman. Dr. Fred Bookter of McComb and Dr. F. K. Horton of Clarksdale serve with him.

The chairman of the Board of Trustees is Dr. Fred Bookter of McComb. Other trustees are: Rev. G. O. Parker of Carthage; Mr. John Davis of Greenville; Mr. W. D. Cole of Philadelphia; Dr. Norman Price of Jackson; Dr. John Barnes of Hattiesburg; Mr. I. S. Barnes of Jackson; Mr. C. A. Barge of Jackson and Mr. A. Boyce Adams of Clarksdale.

President Herbert Lang believes that his trustees are the finest group he has ever worked with, and anticipates great help from their friendly cooperation and excellent advice as the great adventure in interracial cooperation progresses to greater usefulness for the Work of the Lord in Mississippi.

Many distinguished men have served on the faculty of the institution, among these being the late Dr. P. I. Lipsey, one of the pioneers in this project which is fraught with potential good for the hundreds of thousands of Negro Baptists, through their leaders.

These laymen and pastors serve on a unique board, since this is the only institution of its kind in the nation, so far as available records show. The leadership of the school is committed to a sincere following of the lowly Savior, and desire to exemplify His compassion for those who need Him most. They ask the prayers of the people.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary PAUL D. BOOTHE, Associate
MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary
MRS. F. C. FRENCH, Office Secretary

WHAT WE NEED TO DO

The other night a man was asked, "What three things do you feel your Sunday school should major on for the rest of the Sunday school year?" He answered without hesitation "On the three point program of Sunday school work for this year: Enrolment, Bible Teaching, Soul Winning Emphasis." He added: "These things are so vital we cannot do otherwise."

Essentially we will have to stay, whatever the statement of our Sunday school program for future years may be, close to this threefold emphasis. Why? When 50 per cent or 60 per cent of our adults are not in Sunday school; when at least two and one half million resident church members are not in Sunday school in the Southern Baptist Convention area, when in Mississippi we have said for years we have at least 700,000 white people above 10 years of age without Christ or church membership! Pages could be written as to why we must stay close to this program for years and years, but the above to call us again to the challenge of this program. If you do not have the booklet titled, "Southern Baptist Sunday School Program and Calendar of Activities" drop a line today to the Sunday School Department, Box 530, Jackson, Miss., and yours will be put in the mail that day. This booklet on page one has, the three point program for this year, a statement from Dr. R. G. Lee, President of S. B. C., on what it would mean if our Sunday schools would enrol 600,000, our goal for enrolment this year, and pages two and three suggest how we can go about enrolling 600,000.

A Vital Question

How am I going to get workers if we expand our Sunday school organization? One man said it was easier to make a speech or write an article on getting adequate help for needed expansion of organization than to get out and get workers. This suggestion: "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that he will send forth laborers into his harvest" (Matt. 9:38).

He is the Lord of the harvest and is more interested than we could ever be to see it gathered. Undoubtedly he would not have a job, a work, that needed attention, without having somebody to whom he had given at least the "Potential" of leadership for doing the work. The Lord surely gives attention to endowing enough people with leadership ability in our churches to do every job that needs to be done. Of course, they will need to be trained, but if our Lord leads to a person for getting a job done, that needs to be done, that worker can be trained. If he is the Lord's man for the Lord's place we can have training classes and encourage individual study until he comes to render effective service. Your time and this space used in this column this week because it is so vital to our future growth.

VISITATION

These two booklets are available to our Sunday school workers on Visitation. These may be had by sending a request.

1. Ringing Door Bells — the art of visiting.
2. Vitalizing Sunday school Visitation.

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"If we visit—the folks will come. We will get them if we go. If we do not go somebody else may get them. These hundreds of people in our communities that need reaching and teaching and preaching are so hungry for what we have to offer—that hunger will make them often victims of all that come along with the wrong teaching, preaching, singing program." Thus spoke a man who knew his way in the art of visitation. We quote again: "The fields are white to harvest. Pray ye the Lord of the harvest to send out workers to gather in the harvest."—Jesus.

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G. W. Smith Accepts Lena; Resigns Pelahatchie Pastorate



REV. G. W. SMITH

The Rev. G. W. Smith has resigned the pastorates at Pelahatchie and at Springfield in Scott County to accept the pastorate of Lena Church in Leake County, which began March 1.

Mr. Smith is a graduate of Clarke College and Mississippi College. While in Pelahatchie he served as the member of the Convention Board representing Scott County.

Mr. Smith, a graduate of Clarke College, is active in each phase of the church program. For two years she served as VBS Leader for Rankin County.

During the four years of Mr. Smith's pastorate, there were 64 additions to the church. Two young men were licensed to preach. Each phase of the church program has grown.

A library has been arranged in the church. The pastorium has been screened, two rugs laid, and an attic fan installed.

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Jackson County Leaders Meet

Of the 283 church leaders present at the March meeting of the Jackson County Training Union Association which met at Calvary Church in Pascagoula, 28 were deacons. The theme was "The Faithful Deacon and Leader." The Rev. W. L. Holcomb, State Temperance Secretary brought the inspirational message.

The Efficiency Banner was awarded to Calvary Church, the Mileage banner to Ocean Springs Church; and the Attendance banner to Moss Point, First.

The next meeting of the Jackson County Training Union will be on May 1 at First Church Kreole.

BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

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To an amazing extent church leadership has failed in its obligations to young people. . . Luther Burbank said, "If we had paid no more attention to our plants than we have to our young people we would now be living in a jungle of weeds." . . . our efforts should be directed not so much at preparing the path for them, as in preparing them for the path. —Wilmer C. Fields. . . Pearl River Jr. BSUs distributed their paper, *The Echo*, to about 350 high school students gathered there for a regional basketball tournament recently. The paper told them what the BSU is and does. Good idea. High school seniors, in particular, need to be familiarized with BSU before going to College. . . Just before the Assembly of the United Nations met at Lake Success in 1947 the American Bible Society presented an English Bible and a Norwegian New Testament to the Secretary General of the United Nations. Trygve Lie. He posed for a photograph with his finger on a page of the Bible opened at random. After the bulb flashed a reporter noticed that the Secretary General's finger was resting on the first verse of the 133rd Psalm, which reads: "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." . . . Word came that Miss. State plans to take fifty to the Student Retreat at Ridgecrest, June 8-15. . . A man should never be ashamed to own he has been wrong, which is but saying in other words that he is wiser today than he was yesterday. —Pope. . . First contribution to our current campaign for \$1500 to send out three student Summer Missionaries has come from a former State BSU President, member of 1st Church, Jackson, now prominent in the business life of Miss. We appreciate greatly his interest and support. Are there others? Students, remember the deadline for volunteering for this work. It's April 1st. . . American poverty is not in material things but in leadership. So says Charles A. Wells in *Between the Lines*, to which we add and repeat: the BSU is committed

to the task of helping to relieve America's shortage of the right kind of leadership, even a Christian leadership. . . Our State Retreat for BSU Officers will meet at First Church, Jackson, instead of at Millsaps, due to a conflict at Millsaps. We greatly appreciate the graciousness of Pastor W. Douglas Hudgins and the membership of this church in this respect. . . There aren't any idle rumors—they're always busy. There is never a shortage in the alibi market.—Selected. . . Pray for Clarke College's Focus Week, beginning next Sunday. Theme: "Maximum Christianity" . . . The country is enjoying a period of unrivaled prosperity, having achieved the goal of two veterans in every garage.—Rod Brasfield. . . To keep young, associate much with young people. To get old, try keeping up with them.—Jack H. Lowe. . . Have new BSU Officers been elected on your campus? If not or if so, prayer should be paramount before and after. . . Okla. Baptists are currently in a campaign to raise \$150,000 for a Student Center at Okla. A and \$150,000 for the same at Okla. Univ. Miss. needs many, many Student Centers, many more Student Secretaries, et cetera. . . Did you know that 647 college students worked in Vacation Bible Schools in Miss. last summer? So says the office of Dr. Homer L. Grice, S. S. Bd., Nashville. We're thankful for every one of these Christian young people. . . Writing of Summer Service for college students, Wm. Hall Preston states: "Other fields may appear more glamorous but one's local church is by far the greatest place to serve." We agree. . . Riley Munday, Miss. Southern Student Sec'y, recently was banquet speaker at 1st Ch., Monticello and 1st Ch., Vicksburg. . . Five Perkinson Jr. BSUs recently visited a nearby colored school donated "about 30 books." Fred Roth, Gulf Park College professor, and William Hilbun, of 1st Ch., Gulfport, were at Perk for Religious Emphasis Week, preaching and leading the singing, respectively. . .

C. O. STEGALL ACCEPTS ZION HILL PASTORATE

Zion Hill Church in Amite County has called the Rev. C. O. Stegall as pastor, to succeed Dr. C. M. Savage.

Mr. Stegall will serve the church in connection with his work at Oak Grove, preaching at Zion Hill each Sunday afternoon and leading the mid-week prayer service each Thursday evening.

THE BAPTIST RECORD HAS RECEIVED a copy of the minutes of the Oktibbeha Association, which was sent by E. W. Jones, Sturgis. The minutes are attractive and well printed. The 1949 meeting will be held in Friendship Church on October 6 and in Center Grove Church on October 7.

DR. C. C. THOMAS, STAUNTON, VIRGINIA, has accepted the position as general secretary of Maryland Baptists. He has served as pastor in Kentucky, Georgia and Virginia.

Mississippi Baptists Are Evangelizing

C. E. MATTHEWS

It was the writer's privilege to attend the recent state-wide Evangelistic Conference of Mississippi, held in Columbus. What my eyes saw, my ears heard, and my heart felt prompts me to write these words.

First, I was agreeably surprised to see the large attendance at this conference, especially on the part of pastors. The writer has attended evangelistic conferences in all but two states in the Southern Baptist Convention in the past two years. The attendance at the Mississippi conference was above the average.

Second, the program and the spirit that prevailed, along with deep heart interest on the part of all present, were unusually good.

Third, the willingness on the part of the Executive Secretary, Dr. D. A. McCall, his associate, Dr. W. P. Davis, and all others of the official staff of state workers to cooperate with the department of evangelism of the Home Mission Board and the Southern Baptist program of evangelism was all that anyone could ask. For this we are encouraged and deeply grateful.

Mississippi Baptists are on the threshold of a genuine spiritual awakening. With diligence of prayer, unity, organization, and determination to overcome the wiles of the devil, we predict the greatest revival in Mississippi Baptist churches ever experienced in all of the glorious history of this great state. In the atmosphere of genuine constructive evangelism all phases of the Kingdom work progresses. The department of evangelism of the Home Mission Board pledges to Mississippi Baptists the best we have in assistance in the work of winning souls to Christ in this critical hour of world civilization.

Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Brucey Campbell
Lesson for March 20

TRAINING THROUGH DOING. Mark 6:7-12:30-44; Luke 11:1-13.

I. Disciples Become Apostles

The disciple is a student, a learner. When the disciple has been studying long enough to learn something of the essentials of His message and to catch at least something of His spirit then Jesus begins to send His disciples, His students, out to preach. In these early days the preparation as messengers was by no means complete. But they had learned something, so He sends them out to put that something into practice. As they are commissioned and sent out they become apostles, sent ones. An apostle is one sent upon a definite mission, for which he is presumed to be prepared and to which he has been duly accredited by his sender. We have by usage restricted the meaning of the word to the twelve men chosen by our Lord, to which number was added, after the defection of Judas, Paul. But originally the word "apostle" had as its practical equivalent the Latin word, "missionary," which also means "sent."

"So they, being sent forth by" the Lord went as He directed them into the doing of the tasks which He had assigned. You may be sure that they preached and healed and did whatever else they had been commanded rather timidly at first till, through experience in doing, they gained the confidence that comes only with practice. After the same manner His workmen gain skill in our day: they learn His word and His will and then they go to work for Him in making Him known to those who do not know Him.

Now Christians become missionaries after the same fashion. They first of all become Christians by having received the Spirit of the living Christ, and having learned of Him, they go about to witness for Him right up to the ultimate extent of their knowledge of Him. "But He hasn't commended me." Hasn't He, though! Was not quaint old John McNeill right when he said, "When John in Rev. 22:17 says, 'And he that heareth, let him say, come,' he gives a roving commission to the youngest Christian to preach the gospel as much as it has found lodgment in him, by kindly deed and virtuous life and faithful witness by word of mouth wherever he goes on the earth." A necessary and essential part of the training of these disciples was their work in these early efforts. There were things in their Master's teaching they did not understand, as the same is true of you, and the only way to a fuller understanding and appreciation of it is the use of it.

II. The Spirit of the Apostle

(a). Perfect submission to the will and wish and way of the Lord, a complete adoption of His program. He said what for them to do and they went about the doing of it in a spirit of utter willingness. You may be very sure that they had joy in their work; because that is always true of the men and women who did as these men.

(b). A firm reliance upon the divine providence. They had no doubt that they would be fed and kept by the power of God in a condition that would enable them to do the best work for Him. The Lord's men today are troubled about too many things. He has young preachers who are afraid that unless they own passenger cars of the latest model and most expensive make and all other things—things in proportion, they will never have any assurance of His help or witness of His Spirit with theirs. Some trouble with a lot of deacons and elders.

(c). The highest possible opinion of their work. It was no merely interesting or entertaining message they were bringing, not something which, while highly



SAMUEL W. COCHRAN

Shown above: Professor Samuel W. Cochran, the new Dean of Men and Assistant Professor of Psychology at Mississippi College at Clinton.

—BR— Macedonia Has BTU Methods Course

Macedonia Church, Lebanon Association, Martin V. McKinster, Pastor, has completed a week's school of BTU Methods in all departments. The school was held each evening 7-8:45. Rev. McKinster taught the Administration class "BUILDING A CHURCH TRAINING PROGRAM."

Miss Ann Averitt, a former educational director at First Church, Hattiesburg taught the adults; Mrs. C. E. Jones, Hattiesburg, taught the young people; Miss Ruby Booth Educational Director at Fifth Avenue, Hattiesburg, taught the Intermediates, and Miss Gladys Bryant, who is connected with the State BTU Department had charge of the Junior Department.

desirable, could be done without. They regard themselves as being engaged in a matter of life and death, and those who rejected the message brought by them were sealing their own doom. These men were learning the tremendous and awful value of their message, its critical importance for the world.

III. Reward of the Weary Worker.

"Come ye yourselves apart into a desert place, and rest awhile" (Mk. 6:31). What do you think of that, now? To grow weary in the work of the Lord and then to hear Him say, in a voice of sympathy more utter and unutterable than ever could fall from merely human lips, "Let us, you and Me, go off a distance and rest together." Now wouldn't you love that? Just to take a walk with Him off into some quiet place where you might ask Him of all the problems that trouble you and get Him to speak the word that should clarify issues and solve problems and soothe the troubled spirit and rest the weary body!

You have been tired of the toil by which you eat bread and, every one who has earnestly engaged in the service, any special service for Him has learned the truth that His service calls for an expenditure of energy that other callings do not. These fishermen learned that, while the trade of which they had been bred called for the expenditure of physical energy, the work to which Jesus had called them made heavy demands on their sympathies and spirits: You can not mend the broken hopes of discouraged people, you can not put yourself in sympathy with suffering people, you can not by your robust faith uphold another while he is standing on the brink of the grave of his dead hopes amid the fragments of his shattered ideals without feeling that power has gone out of you.

BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT

W. R. ROBERTS, Secretary

EDWINA MAY, Office Secretary

Practical Suggestions for the Worship Committee of a Brotherhood

1. Members of the Worship Committee must themselves be regular at church services and prayer meetings.
2. Meet all new men church members promptly and encourage them to be regular in church attendance.
3. Watch for men visitors at all services, meet them, give cordial welcome.
4. Consult the pastor, and if needed, put attractive church sign on building.
5. See that church building and grounds are well lighted outside, as spot lighted front for town and city church is valuable publicity.
6. Have church name and address, give location, pastor's name, hours of services in advertising section of telephone directory.
7. Place invitation placards in hotel lobbies, train terminals, bus stations, boarding houses, where appropriate.
8. Prepare and make wide use among men of small, attractive invitation cards to church services.
9. Sponsor (or do it) a bad-weather entrance to the church building, such

as an awning from door to curb.

10. Co-operate fully in all church "rally days" and special occasions, such as "Layman's Day" to get largest attendance possible of the men.

11. Set goal for prayer meeting attendance one or more designated nights, give much publicity, use entire Brotherhood to reach goal.

12. Work tactfully and patiently with men church members not attending, get them to come.

13. Arrange, where needed and when possible, transportation to church for special groups attending services in a body.

14. If church has parking problem, Worship Committee of the Brotherhood may help solve it.

Ridgecrest Assembly

Brotherhood week at Ridgecrest is to be August 18-24. Those who plan to attend should make reservations now or at the earliest possible date. To make a reservation, it is necessary to send a registration fee of two dollars (\$2.00) to Mr. Robert Guy, Manager, Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, Ridgecrest, North Carolina.

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THE SUSTAINING INFLUENCE OF THE CHRISTIAN HOME

Deuteronomy 6:4-9: "Hear, O Israel: Jehovah our God is one Jehovah: and thou shalt love Jehovah thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be upon thy heart; and thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thy house and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thy hand, and they shall be for frontlets between thine eyes. And thou shalt write them upon the doorposts of thy house, and upon thy gates."

May 1-8 has been designated as Christian Home Week. Emphasis on the Christian home was never more needed than now. There are innumerable factors in our national life today which have a disrupting influence on the homes. Juvenile delinquency has reached alarming proportions. There was one divorce in America for every three marriages. This is a most dangerous trend and no nation can survive indefinitely when the homes disintegrate. The devil is doing his best to destroy them. He has directed his hottest blitzkrieg against the home.

The home is the cell of civilization. As goes the home, so goes the nation.

It is hard for one to realize the far reaching influence of the home. Life begins, expands, develops, and ends there. R. G. Lee said, "If a man should start out to run seventy years in a straight line, he could never get from under his own mantlepiece." "Home is the golden setting in which Mother is the brightest jewel."

The home largely determines attitudes. Attitude is the most powerful factor with which we have to deal. You meet it in the community life, in the school, and in the church. By attitude is meant one's position or disposition with regard to a person or a thing. Attitudes toward right and wrong ideals and standards, etc., are determined by the home and the environment. The influence is fundamental and primary. The evil around us comes from defective homes. Behind every delinquent boy or girl there is a delinquent home or community or both. The attitudes toward church, the Lord's holy Day, baptism, alcoholic beverages, and all worldliness are all homespun.

The tremendous responsibility rests upon the shoulders of the parents. "Train up a child in the way he should go and even when he is old, he will not depart from it."

Center Terrace Summarizes Three Years' Progress

Center Terrace Church in Canton has made progress during the three-year pastorate of Rev. C. O. Estes. A \$60,000 building is near completion and a Hammond organ has already been installed.

The present financial plan of the church was adopted, causing an immediate increase in gifts to missions. A total of \$2,530 has been given to missions; \$1,570 was given through the Cooperative program. One hundred

thirty-four chairs replaced the benches formerly used in Sunday school classes. During the first part of his ministry at Center Terrace 209 awards were granted in Sunday school and Training Union work. There have been 118 additions to the church, 72 on profession of faith.

The parsonage has been renovated and bedrooms and a pastor's study have been added.

Pastor Estes came to Canton from a chaplaincy in the Navy. Former pastorates include Brooksville and Morton.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS SOUL-TREKKING--APRIL 4-9

SIX ONE-DAY SOUL-WINNING REVIVALS

20,000 souls won to Christ by Mississippi Baptists in 1949. Mississippi Baptists will respond to the call of the Christ by assembling themselves in great numbers at the following places: Clinton, April 4; Brookhaven, April 5; Biloxi, April 6; Meridian at 15th Avenue Church, April 7; Pontotoc, April 8; Clarksdale, April 9. Dinner will be spread picnic style. All churches in the host association will be expected to bring baskets for a picnic lunch to help feed the visitors and themselves, except in

the case of Clinton. At Clinton, cafeteria tickets will be issued visitors for the noon meal.

At these meetings plans will be initiated for the associational simultaneous revival meetings and the simultaneous southwide revival meetings in all the Southern states east of the Mississippi River March 19-April 8, 1951. All associations should have their chairmen of evangelism present and urge them to attend the Evangelistic Conference at First Baptist Church, Monday night, May 16, Oklahoma City.

DR. D. A. McCALL, Chairman of Evangelism, Presiding

CLINTON—MONDAY, APRIL 4

Morning Session
Song Leader: E. N. Elsey.
9:00-9:30 Christian Fellowship.
9:30-9:55 Let Us Sing and Pray.
10:00-10:25 Evangelistic Message, P. D. Bragg.
10:30-10:55 Evangelistic Message, S. B. Harrington.
11:00-11:10 Recess and Relaxation.
11:15-11:30 Song—Prayer—Announcements.
11:30-12:30 Evangelistic Sermon, Dr. Robert G. Lee.
12:30-2:00 Lunch.

Afternoon Session
Song Leader: Bill Lowe.
2:00-2:15 Let Us Sing and Pray.
2:20-2:45 Evangelistic Message, Wayne Alliston.
2:50-3:15 Evangelistic Message, Wayne Todd.
3:20-3:45 Evangelistic Message, Henry Edmonds.
3:50-4:00 Praise and Prayer.
4:05-4:30 Evangelistic Message, Owen Williams.
4:35-5:00 Evangelistic Message, R. L. Wallace.

Evening Session
Song Leader: W. L. Compere.
7:00-7:30 Spiritual Congregational Singing.
7:30-8:00 Mississippi Baptists Soul-Trekking, William P. Davis.
8:15-9:15 Evangelistic Sermon, Dr. Robert G. Lee.

BROOKHAVEN—TUESDAY, APRIL 5

Morning Session
Song Leader: Joe Hudson.
9:00-9:30 Christian Fellowship.
9:30-9:55 Let Us Sing and Pray.
10:00-10:25 Evangelistic Message, Landon Miller.
10:30-10:55 Evangelistic Message, H. J. Rushing.
11:00-11:10 Recess and Relaxation.
11:15-11:30 Song—Prayer—Announcements.
11:30-12:30 Evangelistic Sermon, Dr. Robert G. Lee.
12:30-2:00 Lunch.

Afternoon Session
Song Leader: J. C. Pinson.
2:00-2:15 Let Us Sing and Pray.
2:20-2:45 Evangelistic Message, B. T. Bishop.
2:50-3:15 Evangelistic Message, C. M. Day.
3:20-3:45 Evangelistic Message, N. Q. Geer.
3:50-4:00 Praise and Prayer.
4:05-4:30 Evangelistic Message, N. F. Davis.
4:35-5:00 Evangelistic Message, John Dearing.

Evening Session
Song Leader: E. C. Edwards.
7:00-7:30 Spiritual Congregational Singing.
7:30-8:00 Mississippi Baptists Soul-Trekking, William P. Davis.
8:15-9:15 Evangelistic Sermon, Dr. Robert G. Lee.

BILOXI—WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6

Morning Session
Song Leader: Zeno Wells.
9:00-9:30 Christian Fellowship.
9:30-9:55 Let Us Sing and Pray.
10:00-10:25 Evangelistic Message, W. R. Storie.
10:30-10:55 Evangelistic Message, Fred Moseley.
11:00-11:10 Recess and Relaxation.
11:15-11:30 Song—Prayer—Announcements.
11:30-12:30 Evangelistic Sermon, Dr. Robert G. Lee.
12:30-2:00 Lunch.

Afternoon Session
Song Leader: Tom Doty.
2:00-2:15 Let Us Sing and Pray.
2:20-2:45 Evangelistic Message, S. P. Powell.
2:50-3:15 Evangelistic Message, A. L. Chumbly.
3:20-3:45 Evangelistic Message, E. R. Anderson.
3:50-4:00 Praise and Prayer.
4:05-4:30 Evangelistic Message, H. D. Jordan.
4:35-5:00 Evangelistic Message, O. P. Estes.

Evening Session
Song Leader:
7:00-7:30 Spiritual Congregational Singing.
7:30-8:00 Mississippi Baptists Soul-Trekking, William P. Davis.
8:15-9:15 Evangelistic Sermon, Dr. Robert G. Lee.

MERIDIAN—15TH AVENUE CHURCH—THURSDAY, APRIL 7

Morning Session
Song Leader: George Moseley.
9:00-9:30 Christian Fellowship.
9:30-9:55—Let Us Sing and Pray.
10:00-10:25 Evangelistic Message, G. W. Smith.
10:30-10:55 Evangelistic Message, Bill Drummond.
11:00-11:10 Recess and Relaxation.
11:15-11:30—Song—Prayer—Announcements.
11:30-12:30 Evangelistic Sermon, Dr. Robert G. Lee.
12:30-2:00 Lunch.

Afternoon Session
Song Leader:
2:00-2:15 Let Us Sing and Pray.
2:20-2:45 Evangelistic Message, L. R. Alford.
2:50-3:15 Evangelistic Message, Paul Cooper.
3:20-3:45 Evangelistic Message, D. D. Satterwhite.
3:50-4:00 Praise and Prayer.
4:05-4:30 Evangelistic Message, W. A. Hogan.
4:35-5:00 Evangelistic Message, C. C. Weaver.

Evening Session
Song Leader: Waddell Valentine.
7:00-7:30 Spiritual Congregational Singing.
7:30-8:00 Mississippi Baptists Soul-Trekking, William P. Davis.
8:15-9:15 Evangelistic Sermon, Dr. Robert G. Lee.

PONTOTOC—FRIDAY, APRIL 8

Morning Session
Song Leader: Robert Palmer.
9:00-9:30 Christian Fellowship.
9:30-9:55 Let Us Sing and Pray.
10:00-10:25 Evangelistic Message, James C. Monroe.
10:30-10:55 Evangelistic Message, Quentin Floyd.
11:00-11:10 Recess and Relaxation.
11:15-11:30 Song—Prayer—Announcements.
11:30-12:30 Evangelistic Sermon, Dr. Robert G. Lee.
12:30-2:00 Lunch.

Afternoon Session
Song Leader:
2:00-2:15 Let Us Sing and Pray.
2:20-2:45 Evangelistic Message, Wilburn Smith.
2:50-3:15 Evangelistic Message, R. D. Pearson.
3:20-3:45 Evangelistic Message, George Gay.
3:50-4:00 Praise and Prayer.
4:05-4:30 Evangelistic Message, C. W. Thompson.
4:35-5:00 Evangelistic Message, John Measells.

Evening Session
Song Leader: H. H. Aultman.
7:00-7:30 Spiritual Congregational Singing.
7:30-8:00 Mississippi Baptists Soul-Trekking, William P. Davis.
8:15-9:15 Evangelistic Sermon, Dr. Robert G. Lee.

CLARKSDALE—SATURDAY, APRIL 9

Morning Session
Song Leader: Dan Patch.
9:00-9:30 Christian Fellowship.
9:30-9:55 Let Us Sing and Pray.
10:00-10:25 Evangelistic Message, Nolan Kennedy.
10:30-10:55 Evangelistic Message, I. D. Eavenson.
11:00-11:10 Recess and Relaxation.
11:15-11:30 Song—Prayer—Announcements.
11:30-12:30 Evangelistic Sermon, Dr. Robert G. Lee.
12:30-2:00 Lunch.

Afternoon Session
Song Leader: C. L. Boland.
2:00-2:15 Let Us Sing and Pray.
2:20-2:45 Evangelistic Message, Joel Sturdivant.
2:50-3:15 Evangelistic Message, C. C. Carraway.
3:20-3:45 Evangelistic Message, R. A. Tullos.
3:50-4:00 Praise and Prayer.
4:05-4:30 Evangelistic Message, H. C. Schjeveland.
4:35-5:00 Evangelistic Message, W. L. Marsh.

Evening Session
Song Leader: M. E. Perry.
7:00-7:30 Spiritual Congregational Singing.
7:30-8:00 Mississippi Baptists Soul-Trekking, William P. Davis.
8:15-9:15 Evangelistic Sermon, Dr. Robert G. Lee.



DR. ROBERT G. LEE

The time is the Lord's! Speakers stay within time limits! Let us not forget to pray!

OUR PREACHERS NEED OUR SEMINARIES

J. E. Dillard

There was a time when it was thought unnecessary and maybe a bit dangerous for a preacher to go to college or seminary. He could just read his Bible at home or study under the guidance of some good pastor and then go out and exercise his gifts.

At this same time many men read medicine in the office of some successful doctor and then proceeded to make pills and dose out quinine and calomel. Also many a successful lawyer got his training by reading in some attorney's library and doing odd jobs till he could pass rather elementary examination, then he could go out and practice law and run for congress or the presidency.

But times have changed: We require our doctors to have both college and medical training plus a couple of years internship before being permitted to write prescriptions. We expect our lawyers to have a liberal education, followed by highly technical training and the passing of a rigid examination before they hang out their shingles.

And so if our pastors are to do their best and have the respect of their churches and communities, and enjoy the approval of a good conscience they must make an honest, long continued effort to prepare themselves.

We do not mean by this that no one can do good without college and seminary training, but we do believe the preacher ought to make every effort to adequately prepare himself, and the denomination ought to help her preachers prepare themselves.

We Southern Baptists were a bit slow in providing colleges and seminaries, but we have made a beginning. We believe that where possible our young preachers should go through college taking courses in the liberal arts and sciences, and then go on to the seminary for professional training.

Our present survey reveals the fact that our colleges and seminaries are working together trying to provide the best possible training for our people especially our preachers.

Our survey shows over 2,500 resident students enrolled in our three Southern seminaries and that 81 per cent of them have had college training.

The survey also shows that more than one-half of our seminary students came from seventeen of our Southern Baptist colleges, whereas only about 4 per cent of them came from the nineteen state universities in the South. The other college students in seminary came from 248 other schools.

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MRS. E. G. PEATROSS

Since God, in His goodness and wisdom, saw fit to take unto Himself, our beloved friend and faithful co-worker, Mrs. Lina Moore Peatross; we do wish to express our love and appreciation for the beautiful Christian life she lived in our midst; for the twenty-seven years of devoted service rendered, as Secretary of our Woman's Missionary Union; for wise counseling on all phases of our Missionary work and for the impress, for good, she left on each life that touched hers.

She has passed to her Heavenly reward, but while she rests from her labors she lives on through her works.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. B. B. RICHARDSON

MRS. W. F. BOND

MRS. G. A. CAROTHERS

W. M. U. Committee

First Baptist Church, Jackson



REV. MONTIE A. DAVIS

Shown above is Rev. Montie A. Davis, who is on the faculty of the Preachers School being held in the Baptist Building in Jackson.

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Court Affirms Baptist Authority Lies In Congregation

ALBANY, N. Y.—(RNS)—A ruling by the New York State Appellate Division has thwarted an attempt by a Baptist minister to regain the pastorate of a church at Sherburne from which he was ousted last year.

The Rev. J. Frank Ryder had sought a reversal of a decision by Justice William H. Coon of the State Supreme Court, who ruled that the congregation was the final authority on his employment.

Five justices of the Appellate Division unanimously affirmed the ruling, stating that "under the usages and customs of the Baptist Church, the authority to employ or dismiss a minister lies not in the corporation, the trustees or the deacons, but in the congregation itself."

On Jan. 6, 1948, the congregation voted to remove Mr. Ryder as pastor, and later trustees padlocked the church to prevent his entry. The minister, who says he preaches "old time religion," called the lockout "evidence of the devil's work."

He was rehired by a small group of supporters the following June, but Justice Coon ruled the meeting illegal because insufficient notice had been given to members of the congregation.

The Appellate Division held the meeting of the minister's supporters and the subsequent service he conducted after his reinstatement by the group "were not meetings of the church nor binding upon its members."

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Veterans Sponsor Go-To-Church Drive

ST. JOSEPH, Mo.—(RNS)—Clergymen here are crediting the local Veterans of Foreign Wars for increasing attendance at churches during the past month.

The attendance jump was attributed to a "Go To Church" campaign conducted as a civic undertaking by Cpl. Fred Seifert Post 1668, V. F. W. The campaign included a series of newspaper advertisements, 6,000 window cards and posters, five large billboards, movie trailers, and 2,000,000 "Go To Church Sunday" seals.

Pledges and cash donations from individuals and business firms made the drive possible, it was said.

Where Are We Going?

By Rev. Julian Atwood

Lamesa, Texas

Recently a series of articles were published calling attention to the disunity existing within the ranks of the Northern Baptist Convention. I have read them with grave concern, because "it can happen here." In fact some of the things pointed out by this writer as disturbing elements are already happening in our Southern Zion. There are situations developing within our own Convention which can easily lead to conditions similar to those lamentably true in our Northern Convention, for which we wish nothing but the best as they carry the lines forward along all fronts.

I am greatly concerned as I read accounts in the papers telling of this and that "Fellowship" meeting in conferences, with elaborate programs, and dealing in strong implications and sometimes actual accusations that the rank and file of the brethren are outside the pale of Baptist orthodoxy, because they happen to interpret the meaning of certain scriptures differently. One of the lamentable things about the matter is that often the controversial question is one about which they themselves know little and can find only vague scriptural teaching to support their extreme views. Such "Fellowships" do not contribute to fellowship at all, but rather to the disruption of fellowship. They should be called "Discord."

We would not question the right of any man to his own individual interpretation of the Scriptures. And if he finds that the group with which he is associated does not agree with him, and he cannot be happy and continue with such a group, it is his inalienable right to withdraw from that group; or if he chooses, to let his voice be heard in that group stating his views without hindrance. But we are seriously of the opinion that no man has the right to remain with such a body and at the same time organize within it a dissenting group at variance with the teachings and practices of that body, injecting into its spirit and program a discordant note of division.

While a world is passing through its greatest trial with the Baptist Message as its brightest hope, it is no time to be quibbling over matters which are in the hands of God to administer when the time comes in keeping with his own power and knowledge. This is no time to break up into variant camps, but the time to present a solid front as we face tragic issues.

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Glenn Harbin Celebrates Second Anniversary In Texas

Rev. Glenn M. Harbin, a graduate of Mississippi College, former pastor at Pearson and U. S. Army Chaplain, celebrated his second anniversary as pastor of the First Church, Sequin, Texas on January 16.

The church has purchased new church property, formerly Methodist property, remodelled the auditorium, installed opera chairs, a Hammond Electric organ and air conditioning. The property is valued at \$150,000.

During the two years of Mr. Harbin's pastorate there have been 136 additions, 36 for baptism, the annual budget increased from \$6,000 to \$13,000 and the pastor's salary increased from \$2,600 to \$4,800. The church also supports a Mexican mission in Sequin and has a radio program every Sunday.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

January 13, 1949

Hattiesburg, Main Street	346	232
Laurel, Second Avenue	251	117
New Albany, First	532	191
Including Mission	552	205
West Laurel	178	134
Crystal Springs Church	462	181
Zion Hill (Copiah County)	65	63
Brandon	178	56
Jackson, First	1189	390
Jackson, Calvary	1179	259
Calvary Mission	29	19
Jackson, Parkway	733	235
Parkway Mission	113	54
Jackson, Van Winkle	390	224
Jackson, North Side	465	186
Jackson, Byram Hinds	135	100
Jackson, Daniel Memorial	288	157
East Side (Rankin County)	105	99
Jackson, Emmanuel	104	66
Summit, First	111	94
Corinth, Tate Street	265	89
Gulfport, First	655	144
Booneville, First	251	120
Goss	69	96
Siwel	112	98
Mt. Vernon (Leflore County)	71	40
Moss Point	157	54
Grenada, First	537	83
Delay	45	51
Paynes	159	66
Bruce	239	100
O'Tuckolofa (Yalobusha County)	14	---
Lucedale	256	77
Brookhaven, First	717	280
Newton	412	213
Holly Springs	31	42
Brookhaven, Pearlhaven	146	81
Bogue Chitto (Pike County)	85	104
Centerville	102	55
East McComb	285	249
Crystal Springs (Walthall County)	117	60
New Zion (Copiah County)	66	67
Columbus, First	908	282
Meridian, First	676	---
Meridian, Fifteenth Avenue	545	140
Meridian, Highland	464	160
Meridian, Southside	364	146
Meridian, Eighth Avenue	379	104
Meridian, 41st Avenue	320	116
Meridian, Popular Springs	268	70
Meridian, Oakland Heights	158	55
Meridian, Oak Grove	129	78
Meridian, Key Field Mission	63	---
MARCH 6		
Laurel, First	586	162
McComb, Southside	289	68
Paynes	119	52

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Ministers File Counter Claims Against Tavern Owners

GLOBE, Ariz. — Two members of the Gila County Ministerial Association have filed a counter-complaint in Superior Court here in the recent Miami tavern raid case.

The Rev. Melvin Laven of the First Christian church is seeking \$5,000 damages as a result of a beating he claimed to have sustained in a raid on a tavern operated by Harold and Walter Montgomery.

The Rev. Luke Fritz of the Community Presbyterian church, Miami, demands \$51,100 damages while John Craft, a Tucson photographer who accompanied the clergymen in their search for liquor and gambling law violations, asks \$1,250 damages.

Filing of the counter-complaint followed the institution of a civil suit by Harold Montgomery in Gila County Superior Court in January against members of the Ministerial Association's Social Action committee. Montgomery's suit seeks \$50,000 and costs in actual and punitive damages evolving from the fracas in his tavern.

Evangelism Class Called 'Chair of Fire' At S'Western

By Jeanette White



Dr. B. H. Carroll, founder and first president of Southwestern conceived the idea of a Chair of Evangelism and invited Dr. L. R. Scarborough to fill the place. Dr. Scarborough, then pastor of First Church Abilene, has a great vision of making this evangelism class a "Chair of Fire," however, so he left the pastorate to cast his lot with the new Seminary. In 1915 he became president of the institution.

At Dr. Scarborough's retirement Dr. E. D. Head, pastor of First Church, Houston, was selected and fills the place today.

This semester 298 students are attending the class. Each one is urged to see that at least one soul is won or helped before the semester is over. "This class boils down to this: A saved soul seeks out an unsaved soul and tells that unsaved soul what Jesus has done for him," Dr. Head said at one of the opening meetings.

In the classroom an opportunity is often given the students to make prayer requests or to tell of an experience they have had as an outgrowth of the evangelism class.

"The world is waiting for evidence, not eloquence," Dr. Head says in advising students to witness wherever they are. "God does make himself known. He does communicate with us to do his work."

Besides doing actual personal work the students in the class study the books, *Revivals in the Bible and Evangelism in Acts*, written by Dr. Head. Every other year Dr. Scarborough's book, *With Christ after the Lost* is taught.

Scholastically the evangelism class has a reputation on the Southwestern campus as being as "hard as any course offered." Fifteen hundred pages of parallel reading are required. Many students who have taken the class in the past have written back to the school acknowledging it as being especially helpful to them in their ministry.

During the 39 years which the "Chair of Fire" has been in existence untold fires of evangelism have been kindled in hearts over the South.

MRS. J. T. DARNELL

Liberty Baptist Church, Kemper County, lost one of its most beloved members in the recent death of Mrs. J. T. Darnell, better known as "Aunt Rocky." Mrs. Darnell was the wife of the late Rev. J. T. Darnell and served as its pastor from 1903 until his death in 1904. Mrs. Darnell though 82 years of age remained active and cheerful.

Therefore, be it resolved we thank God for her beautiful Christian life, (2) be it resolved that we express our sympathy to her family, (3) be it further resolved, this resolution be entered in the record of the church and a copy be sent to the family and also to the Baptist Record.

Liberty Baptist Church
Kemper County, DeKalb, Miss.
ED F. GRAYSON, pastor

Spring In The Air

By MRS. W. G. MIZE

The blooming shrubs, singing birds, and even butterflies have been seen on the Campus of the Children's Village. Since they foretell spring, the boys and girls are beginning to think of the day when wool trousers will be put away for blue jeans, and print dresses will supplant wool skirts and sweaters.

For many years we have clothed our children from our Commissary where all boxes are unpacked and the clothing sorted. The boys and girls are then outfitted by cottages, Primaries, Juniors, Intermediates or Seniors, giving all equal opportunity. They feel that this method is more just, that clothes are more equally distributed than when individuals were sponsored by "friends."

If any of you are to send a Spring or Easter Box, mail to Baptist Orphanage, Jackson, Mississippi, care of Mrs. W. G. Mize.

As a suggestion, send dresses for our teen age girls who wear 9-15 in Misses sizes. For the ten young ladies who are over sixteen years of age, send sizes 14-16. These girls prefer cottons that both look well and launder nicely. You may send blouses, underwear, pajamas in the same sizes.

As for our boys they enjoy wearing jeans to school. Remember the groups covered by sizes 10-16, also the High School Boys who wear 29 waist-30 length, 30-waist-30 length, 30-waist-32 length. All our boys like to wear polo shirts, and for dress occasions, sport shirts.

The time will come for our swimming pool to open and bathing suits—all sizes—for both boys and girls will be most acceptable.

If you send shoes, let them be wide and low heels, please.

For all your generosity we do say Thank You very, very much. Pray for Our Home that it shall continue to render its four-fold ministry of physical, mental, social and spiritual guidance to the child in need.

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TISHOMINGO BTU MEETS; Tent, Public Address Bought

The Tishomingo Association, which met at the Mt. Vernon Church on March 8, had 85 per cent of its churches represented. Those on the morning program were Rev. B. L. Mohon, Iuka pastor, who led the devotional; Dr. W. E. Greene, Clarke College President, who discussed the preachers school soon to be held in the Iuka Church, and Rev. W. P. Davis, Assistant Executive Secretary, who delivered the message of the morning.

The afternoon session was given to reports and a message brought by Rev. Gordon Sansing, Booneville pastor. Rev. Hansel Russel was elected to assist the Associational Training Union Director, Rev. W. C. Gonn, and Rev. T. R. Bonds was elected to assist the Associational Sunday School Superintendent, Homer Hodge.

During the past year Tishomingo Association purchased a tent and a public address system; the former has been paid for and payments on the latter will soon be completed. Each church in the association plans to plant cotton to finish paying for the county missionary's home.

Since October eight study courses have been taught in the association, one WMU and four Training Unions organized.

Crider To Begin Rensara Pastorate Mar. 20



REV. V. R. CRIDER

The Rev. V. R. Crider has accepted the pastorate of the Rensara Church in Coahoma County, and will begin his work on March 20.

Mr. Crider, a Mississippian, comes to the Riverside Association from Caddo Mills, Texas. He began his pastorate at Caddo Mills while still a student at the Southwestern Seminary.

Bucklew On Jackson Radio

Rev. Henry Bucklew, pastor of Pearl City Church and editor of Southern Baptist News, is now on Radio Station WJKN, Jackson, every morning, 7:00 to 7:15 o'clock.

Mr. Bucklew formerly conducted a program over station WLAU at Laurel.

God Will Bless Your Family Altar

By T. L. Holcomb

Dr. Chester Swor made a remarkable address before the Southern Baptist Convention in May, 1948, suggesting that Southern Baptists undertake to secure an additional one hundred thousand homes to establish a family altar during the coming year. This timely suggestion was well received and approved.

On our return to Nashville from the Convention Dr. Joe W. Burton, editor of Home Life and of the Department of Home Curriculum, called a group of Sunday School Board workers for a conference.

The group requested Dr. Burton to take the initiative and every department of the Sunday School Board pledged its full co-operation.

We are encouraged from the response of our people, especially the younger adults. God has blessed the family altar from Abram at Shechem down to the present day. He will bless you in your effort to start family worship in your home.

Yes, dear Christian friend, resolve to begin now. This is a matter of great and abiding importance. Do not fail God. Do not fail your family.

Hammond Organ For Sale

Hammond Organ with two tonal cabinets. Price \$1000.00 cash.

Calvary Baptist Church
JACKSON, MISS.

Trekking With Mississippi Baptists

BY WILLIAM P. DAVIS

For ten years, from regions beyond, I watched Mississippi Baptists "On the march for the Master." I saw them in 1939 face to face with a crushing debt and a State Mission budget of \$37,500, with gifts to the Co-operative Program at \$103,920. I saw a man called to the leadership of Mississippi Baptists who had been "on the march for the Master." He, at once, threw himself into the forefront of Mississippi Baptists by leading in paying a crushing debt of more than \$550,000 in bonds and a total debt of more than \$1,000,000. Under the leadership of Dr. D. A. McCall, Mississippi Baptists debts were paid and in 1948 the State Mission budget stood at \$213,000 with \$726,190 going into the Co-operative Program. Today Mississippi Baptists are "on the march for the Master" as they have never been under the leadership of Dr. D. A. McCall of whom Dr. A. L. Goodrich wrote in the QUARTERLY REVIEW of April, May, June, 1949, "One friend, voicing the feeling of many, said of Dr. McCall, 'When he stands to speak, whether his audience be a civic or religious gathering, his humble spirit and deep religious convictions weave through all he says a thread of hope for the world and convey a message of Christian understanding that is both inspiring and uplifting.'" Such was my impressions of Mississippi Baptists as I watched them from regions beyond.

I returned to my native state in 1948. The Hollandale Baptist Church honored me with a call to the pulpit. There I worked with some of the finest people in Mississippi and with one of Mississippi's best churches. During those days, I observed our state Baptist program through the eyes of a Mississippi Baptist pastor. I felt the surging tide of fellowship and goodwill. I realized, more than ever, just how far Mississippi Baptists have journeyed in a great missionary program. I felt, as is stated in the QUARTERLY REVIEW of April, May, and June, 1949, just as the writer observed: "Men coming into the state from other sections have repeatedly commented on the fine fellowship among Mississippi Baptists. This is a source of great joy on the part of those who are truly mindful of the Lord's new commandment, Mississippi Baptists work together."

This is how it has come to me since I came to the Baptist Building, February 7, 1949. The spirit of the employees is genuinely Christian. Here at the Building all work in a fine spirit of good will and fellowship. One of the high moments is the daily prayer meeting at nine o'clock. It is indeed a period of fellowship and prayer. The employees in the Building turn aside to pray for the program of Mississippi Baptists throughout the state.

One of my greatest joys came the other day as I saw how Mississippi Baptist monies come to the Building. The mail is received at the postoffice and delivered at the Building where it is assorted and distributed to the various departments. All mail addressed to the Convention Board office or the Executive Department is opened in the bookkeeping department by two workers.

All monies received are handled by the bookkeepers exactly as intended by the giver. An accurate record of every penny is kept. Only the bookkeeper can write a check. No check can be written without an authorization in writing by the Executive Secretary or the Assistant Executive Secretary or an authorized person. Every authorization enters a permanent file.

By noon all monies have been deposited in the banks. For some time I have been studying the bookkeeping department and it is my studied conviction that a more efficient department cannot be found. I know Mississippi Baptist monies go exactly as the givers intended. They go as mighty forces because Mississippi Baptists today are working together better than ever before, in a program many times enlarged over all former days.

HOW MUCH ARE WE DOING?

J. E. Rawlinson, President South Carolina Baptist Convention

All of us can understand and appreciate the confession of Paul as recorded in Romans 7:19—For the good that I would I do not; but the evil which I would not, That I do. This reference suggests several questions: How little good are we doing? How much error is there in many things we are doing? How much inactivity are we guilty of? Is there any wrong in or judgement upon not doing the good we know?

What are we doing to keep Preeminent the Nature and Work of the Holy Spirit? Apart from the work of the Holy Spirit, there is no possibility for regeneration. The Holy Spirit is the one medium through which the Trinity enters the believer, the one medium through which the believer grasps the Trinity. The confirmation above every other that the believer is a child of God is by the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is the only unerring and sufficient guide into the truth in Christ Jesus, the supreme reality of power, the compelling urge and abiding presence for the entire program of Missions. Yet, isn't the nature and work of the Holy Spirit the missing note above every other in our living, teaching, preaching and work?

What are we doing from the standpoint of Scriptural Indocctrination? Doctrine in the New Testament means teaching what is in the New Testament. It is reported that the child of the Jew receives on the average 335 hours of religious instruction each year. The child of the Roman Catholic, 200 hours. The child of the Baptist receives an average of 30 hours. Some of the Evangelical denominations have long since concerned themselves with a thorough indocctrination of their constituency from a denominational standpoint. A Baptist church is just as strong and influential as it is Scriptural. It is just as weak and impotent as it is non-Scriptural. The same is true for the individual believer.

What are we doing to establish the Primacy of the Kingdom of God in every area of life? Is not the very soul of man being tested and all of our organized work suffering because of the primacy of things? Only by the primacy of the Kingdom in every area of life can needs be supplied for the individual, the Kingdom, and the world as a whole. What are we doing in a definite and planned way to establish and maintain this primacy? Surely the undertaking means more than is being done at the present time. Does it not call for down to earth means and methods for seeking, putting, and keeping the Kingdom first in the every area of personal and group life?

What are we doing to Insure the Cooperative Program? Surely, every Baptist agrees that the Cooperative Program is the very best plan yet devised to support and promote the Kingdom of our Lord. There is danger and distress ahead if we do not take the needed steps to insure and underwrite the Cooperative Program. We might profitably view with concern the report of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention that the Cooperative Program receipts for January 1949 were \$59,163 less than January 1948. If such a trend should continue, think of the disastrous re-



REV. WILLIAM P. DAVIS

Rev. William P. Davis, Assistant Executive Secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention is a member of the faculty of the Preachers School being held in Jackson at the Baptist Building, March 14-25.

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Gratitude or Gravy?

In the August issue of the Southern Baptist Digest, edited by Dr. Livingston Mays, of Nashville, Tennessee, our friend, Dr. Russell Bradley Jones, had a timely article on the subject, "Gravy," in which he tells the story of some brother who was invited for a revival meeting. When the pastor presented the matter of raising a little love offering for him, the deacons said that they thought \$100 was enough. The pastor said, however, that the church had invited him and should give him a worthy offering. "Remember, brethren," he said, "our visiting preacher paid \$50 for supplies in his own pulpit while he was away. His travel expense amounted to \$40. If we give him only \$100 it will mean that he will receive only \$10 for all his labors here. One brother spoke up immediately and reminded his fellows that after all the \$10 was just gravy—that his salary would be paid while he was away, so why should they worry?"

This wise pastor did not get mad at his deacons. He insisted that it was not a matter of gravy but a matter of their showing proper gratitude for the visiting brother. "When we go down the aisle tonight and tell him that we appreciate his services, he won't say so, but he will know that we are a bunch of miserly folks if we give him only \$100." Of course, this good pastor won his point and a generous offering was made to the visiting brother.

sults over a period of twelve months. Every phase of our organized work needs larger financial support and the needed support must necessarily be derived in some way if the scale of operations is to be maintained and reasonably advanced. Shall we stand by the Cooperative Program to supply these needs or follow trends in other directions? Are there any other needs to follow trends in other directions? Are there any other ways to insure and underwrite the Cooperative Program than by the unreserved acceptance of its incomparable value and by a financial program that is Scriptural and all inclusive, which to say the least means, Every Baptist a Tither and Every Church budget and every State Budget on a 50-50 basis.

Are we doing the good which we should, or something less? Fruitful answers to these questions are urgent, but not easy.

NATIONWIDE CELEBRATION SCHEDULED IN 1952 WHEN NEW BIBLE VERSION WILL BE PUBLISHED

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Plans for a nationwide celebration of the publication of the complete Revised Standard Version of the Bible in 1952 were launched here this week during the annual meeting of the International Council of Religious Education, according to Rev. Philip C. Landers, associate general secretary.

Publication of the revised New Testament occurred in 1946 with a public presentation here at a mass meeting during the annual meeting of the International Council.

In 1952 it is expected that simultaneous inter-church mass meetings

will be held in communities in United States and Canada on Tuesday evening, Sept. 30, to coincide with the public release.

"Emphasis in all these services will be placed on the use of the Bible in individual lives and in Christian teaching," stated Mr. Landers, who originally proposed and developed the idea.

Copies of the new version will be presented to outstanding organizations and persons of each community in these services. A national radio hook-up with American and Canadian officials speaking is proposed.

CENTREVILLE CHURCH TO BE DEDICATED MARCH 20

Centreville Church will dedicate its church plant at an all day service next Sunday, March 20. The program will begin at 10:45 a. m. and continue through the evening service, with lunch being served on the church grounds. The pastor, Rev. A. A. Ward will be in charge of the program.

A few years ago the church constructed a brick veneer building which soon became inadequate. Plans were made for an educational annex, which is now a reality. The church plant to be dedicated on Sunday consists of a large auditorium, a baptistry, 25 Sunday school and assembly rooms, a church office, a pastor's study, basement, kitchen, rest rooms, and a potential church library.

March 20 will mark one of the highest achievements in the history of the 64 year old church.

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Baptists Sue Congregationalists For Possession Of Church

MINNEAPOLIS Minn. —(RNS)— Baptists and Congregationalists have begun a legal battle in Hennepin county district court here for possession of a small, 90-year-old church in suburban Richfield.

The structure, known as the First Baptist church of Richfield from 1857 until 1947, became in that year the Lakeside church of Richfield, Congregational.

A suit filed by seven former members of First Baptist church asks for a permanent injunction which would restrain Lakeside's pastor and board of trustees "from changing the denomination to Congregational."

The action asks restoration of the church and its properties to the Baptist group, who contend that so long as some members wanted the church to remain Baptist, those wanting to change should build their own church.

The plaintiffs contend that conversion of the church to Congregational, which came on a membership vote of 91 to 29, was the result of a "campaign" by the trustees and pastor, the Rev. Royal V. Bauser.

The defendants, who are asking dismissal of the action, say the church has not been "diverted to any use contrary to the original faith in recent years." Any changes in it occurred years ago when members were accepted who had not been baptized by immersion as adults, the defendants say.

Editor's Note: Let all alien immersion churches take note as well as Baptist Churches that accept any or no kind of baptism.

BELGIAN WORKERS RETURNING TO RELIGION

By John Ashton

Religious News Service Correspondent

BRUSSELS — With the exception of a small part of the population, Belgium's working classes have, in the past eight months, withdrawn from the influence of Communist propaganda. Roman Catholic and Protestant circles note with satisfaction a general recrudescence of religious activity, especially in the industrial and mining districts of the country which had formerly been subject to forceful agitation.

Reasons for this change of opinion are given as follows:

(1) The firm policy of the government since its adherence to the Atlantic Pact;

(2) The renewed vigor with which both Protestants and Catholics have been campaigning;

(3) The influence of a large number of refugees from Central and Eastern Europe. The tragic position of churchmen in countries behind the Iron Curtain has served as an example to many who wavered between religious conviction and political aspirations.

While six months ago the workers of mining and industrial centers were split on political issues, the development of the international situation, the strengthened position of the United States, and the influx of refugees with eye-witness accounts of religious persecution now going on in their home-countries have swung the balance strongly in favor of religious adherence.

In the words of a clerical spokesman, "only large-scale unemployment with its consequent lowering of living standards could offer Communists a chance of regaining the ground they have lost."

Protestant and Catholic churches alike have been carrying on a nation-wide program of religious revival with a vigor hitherto unknown in national history.

From the pulpit and in their organizations atheism has been denounced. Examples of persecution—the latest being the sentencing of Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty in Budapest—have been held up to congregations and have succeeded in stimulating a spirit of resistance which is expected to play a major role in future political decisions.

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AMONG RECENT VISITORS IN THE

office of the Baptist Record were: Rev. B. E. Phillips, New Hebron; Dr. O. P. Moore, Newton; Daisy Sutherland, Jacksonville; Rev. L. G. Sansing, Booneville; Dr. W. H. Morgan, Hartsville, South Carolina; Rev. H. F. Williams, Clinton; Rev. O. L. Chambers, Vicksburg; Rev. H. A. Milner, Jackson; Rev. Pete Evans, Clinton; Rev. Robert Dickson, Jr., Greenville; L. M. Smith, Greenville; J. E. Maxwell, Pickens; Rev. W. H. Haynes, Clinton; Rev. Virgil D. Davis, Clinton; W. C. Bennett, Kokomo; Rev. A. J. Chandler, Jayess.

The Most Supreme Book For The Home

By E. D. Head

At the evening meal, my father always read a passage of Scripture and led us in prayer. This season of Scripture reading and prayer made an indelible impression on me.

I recall, further, the faithfulness of my mother as she read every day a passage from the Bible in connection with her own personal devotions. She never made any show of this habit, but simply went quietly to her accustomed place and spent some moments in reading the Scriptures and in meditation. This, also, has inscribed itself on my heart indelibly.

As I look back over the years and review it anew, it emerges as one of the most enriching contributions that can ever be made to an individual and to a home.

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James Brewer Accepts Antioch, Warren Pastorate

Rev. James P. Brewer has accepted the pastorate of the Old Antioch Church in Warren County. Services are held twice monthly: Each first Sunday at 11 a. m. and at 2 p. m., and each third Sunday at 2 p. m.

Mr. Brewer, a student at Mississippi College began his work on February 6. Already a Sunday School has been organized, teachers and officers elected and Sunday school material ordered. On March 6 the church voted to adopt the EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record.

Prior to the coming of Pastor Brewer, several physical improvements had been made in the church. A lighting system and a heating system have been installed, a piano has been donated, and song books have been given.

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PAUL TRUITT, RANKIN ORDAINS SIX DEACONS

Completes 13 Room Addition: Pews, Pastorium Purchased

Paul Truitt Memorial Church in Rankin County ordained the following deacons on February 22: H. R. Brister, Frank Hemphill, D. H. Robbins, Harvey Boykin, M. F. Duncan, and R. E. Moore.

Rev. Wayne Todd, pastor of Daniel Memorial, Jackson, preached the ordination sermon. Rev. Montie Davis, Brandon pastor, gave the charge.

Paul Truitt Church has just this week completed a thirteen room addition to the church, and is beginning a complete renovation of the auditorium.

Since Mr. Grady Smith became pastor six months ago, there has been 34 additions to the church. New pews have been purchased and the church has purchased a lot and pastorium.

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THE ROSE OF SHARON (\$2) BY DR. R. G. LEE and published by the Broadman Press is a book of six sermons one of America's greatest preachers. If to magnify the Christ is to be the criterion in measuring Bible messages, his sermon, "The Face of Christ" and the title message, "The Rose of Sharon" go the full length of the measuring rod. "One Sin" is a theological treatise equal to that of Mullins or Strong. "Seven Eyes upon One Stone" is a picture of the Christ whose incomparable character stands faultless under the searching scrutiny of all the eyes of time and eternity. Orders should be sent to the Baptist Book Store—Chas. S. Henderson.

A Pattern For Evangelism

By Dr. Cecil W. Jones, Assistant Professor of Bible and Religious Education, Mississippi Woman's College.

The fifteenth chapter of Luke reveals the mind of Jesus on the subject of evangelism. Herein are three parables of grace, yet the Synoptist refers to them in terms of "this parable." Looked at from one vantage point, a single story is here told in three parts.

This parable is usually depicted as setting forth the love of Jesus for sinners, however the first two episodes have nothing to do with sinners. On the other hand, both are necessary to the truth that God does love sinners, however the first two episodes have nothing to do with sinners. On the other hand, both are necessary to the truth that God does love sinners. There can be no more cardinal assumption in the ranks of evangelism.

The three parts of the parable are necessary because of the very nature of Jesus' audience. There were present: Publicans-Sinners and Pharisees-Scribes. Both groups are antagonistic and must be dealt with in a three-fold manner.

The purpose of Christ in speaking was to build for them a bridge to God. Here Christ is setting the example in dealing with the lost, not in sentimental cheap-talk but in solid reasoning. The bridge he builds is sure and safe.

1. The first span in the bridge is concerned with a lost sheep sought by its shepherd. "Which one of you having a hundred sheep, if he loses one doesn't go after it?" What Jew would do otherwise? Notice what the shepherd says. "This is the purpose of searching. Now watch the audience as they agree that they are lost to God as the sheep was to the shepherd. They are God's chosen property. Here is the first span in the bridge to God: they belong to God. The master carpenter has built the first part so firm that they can stand on it. They are now part way to God. Surely this cannot be all though, in their condition even if they did belong to Him they were worthless to Him and themselves.

2. Having established the basic principle in his plan of evangelism, Jesus begins the second span. He tells of a woman who had ten pieces of silver. She lost one. The audience knew that the woman's honor was at stake for this was a part of her marriage circlet, a wedding ring. It made her a woman of honor, a wife of good repute. To lose it meant dishonor. Now one piece was gone. Love was not the prompting motive for the search but the fact that the circlet was worthless without all its parts. Each part had a value because it was a part of the whole circlet. Again watch the audience. They see Christ making it plain to them that they are of value—not in themselves but as a part of God's plan and covenant. Unless they return to Him, His whole plan and purpose will be frustrated. The master builder has firmly built the second span.

3. Still it is not good enough. Though they belong to God and are of value to Him, how empty this would be in itself. The same thing could be said of a pencil or chair. The third span in the bridge of evangelism concerns a son who got off on the wrong foot and made a mess of his life. Of course the publicans and sinners were deeply interested in the wayward one. Hardy



D. M. THEROY RANKIN

Shown above is Dr. M. T. Rankin, executive secretary of the Foreign Missionary Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, who speaks at the W. M. U. convention on Tuesday night, the first foreign missionary ever to be elected to this position. He took office January 1, 1945, succeeding Dr. Charles E. Maddy. Dr. Rankin was born at Newberry, South Carolina. He graduated from Wake Forest College. The year that he was graduated from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary he was appointed missionary to China. The following year he married the daughter of missionaries in China, Valleria Greene, herself a missionary.

In 1935 the Board elected Dr. Rankin secretary for the Orient, supervising Southern Baptist mission work in China and Japan. When war was declared by the United States, he was captured by the Japanese in Hong Kong and interned for six months at Stanley Internment Camp. He was repatriated in September, 1942, and is now a resident of Richmond, Virginia.

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W. E. Hardy Plans Year's Work As Associational Missionary

Rev. W. E. Hardy, who recently resigned the pastorate at Georgetown in order to become Associational Missionary in Union Association, is now located at Port Gibson.

Mr. Hardy has planned a Calendar of Activities that should keep him and Union Association Baptists busy.

On the back of the published Calendar of Activities, Mr. Hardy sets forth his plans as Associational Missionary and how he proposes to fit into the Calendar.

Mr. Hardy states that the people have received him in a most cordial and enthusiastic manner and that the pastors are most cooperative.

assent was given: "Yes, that is true of us too." But what of their decision to return? Will the Father receive them? Then they hear:

"Bring forth the best robe, and put it on him, let us be merry, for this my son was dead, and is alive again, was lost, and is found."

All barriers broken down, the wondrous thought rings out to them: "We're God's sons!"

The bridge is complete. Each span is essential.

Submitted by Cecil W. Jones, Assistant Professor of Bible and Religious Education, MISSISSIPPI WOMAN'S COLLEGE

IMMANUEL, TULSA HOLDS SOCIAL SERVICE WEEK

By MRS. INEZ WALDENMAIER

Armed with answers to the question, "Who is my neighbor," the membership of the Immanuel Church, Tulsa, Dr. John Newport, pastor, has emerged from a Social Service Week determined to put feet to prayers and hands to convictions.

Dr. Newport, mentioned above, was formerly pastor of the church at Clinton.

The week began on Sunday, February 20, with Dr. Hugh Brimm preaching to the morning worship congregation on the introductory subject, "On Seeking to Fulfill Christ's Total Demands," and in the evening service on the provocative theme, "Why Are You a Christian?"

The week's lectures included: "Christ's Principles of Social Behavior;" "The Christian Approach to the Problem of Race Relations;" "The Christian and the Problem of Beverage Alcohol;" "Juvenile Delinquency, a Challenge for Christian Action;" and "Christian Marriage and Family Living."

Books and pamphlets furnished by the Social Service Commission and the Baptist Book Store were on display each night.

Dr. Brimm and Dr. John Newport conducted a large group of church leaders on a tour to North Tulsa, Negro community of Tulsa, where one third of the Negroes are Baptists and one half of the churches are Baptist churches. This group visited the inadequate hospitals, the inadequate schools, and the inadequate housing where 30,000 Negroes live in an area of four square miles.

Projects have been established in the church program to meet the problems presented during the week.

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HOW TO MAKE THE HEADLINES

A kind of false modesty seems to possess many of the preachers and other leaders of our churches in that they are hesitant to report accomplishments of their churches to the paper. This is hiding light under a bushel.

We get suggestions all along from people that they would like to have the church paper become more newsy. This we would like to do and shall strive to do but we find it quite a task to get news from the churches.

If your church is making any special achievement worthy of note we should like to know about it. Don't wait and give a year's report of achievements; let us know about the accomplishments while they are news. The readers of the church paper will be glad to read about the achievements of your church and the church itself will receive due recognition for them.

Don't hide your light under a bushel. If your church makes some achievement which you are proud of let us know about it. Write us your special news items. Send us your local church paper or bulletin.

Send your news often. Make your items brief and factual. The readers of the paper will be glad to share in your success.—Mississippi Methodist Advocate.

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A COPY OF THE MINUTES OF THE District of Columbia Baptist Convention has been sent to the Baptist Record. Rev. Clarence W. Crawford is president of the Convention, and Milton Chandler Smith is Executive Secretary. Included in the book is a picture of the attractive Baptist Building in Washington.

GOING PLACES

BY A. L. GOODRICH

CANAAH CHURCH IS
NUMBER 940

Canaan Church, Benton County has been added to the growing list of Churches that have adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record. The list was sent by Miss Cora A. Bynum, the church clerk.

Record readers in Benton County are now listed as follows: Ashland, 89; Bluff Springs, 1; Cannan, 16; Curtis Creek, 1; Flat Rock, 40; Hamilton, 18; Hickory Flat, 56; Lamar, 1; Lonoke, 1; Pleasant Hill, 2; Pine Grove, 1.

BREWER IS NO. 941

One of the newest names on the growing list of churches that have adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record is Brewer Church in Lee County. Rev. C. E. Anothony of Verona is the pastor. The treasurer is W. E. Waycaster.

Lee County Record readers are now listed as follows: Auburn, 54; Bissel, 16; Brewer, 24; Center Hill, 2; Euclatubba, 37; Guntown, 1; Nettleton, 32; New Hope, 1; Plantersville, 71; Pleasant Valley, 1; Priceville, 28; Saltillo, 50; Shannon, 41; Sherman, 66; Tupelo, Calvary, 286; Tupelo, East, 32; Tupelo, First, 304; Tupelo, Harrisburg, 186; Union Chapel, 1; Union Hill, 1; Verona, 77.

TERRY

Pastor Thurman Booth being away in a revival at Columbia we had the privilege of supplying at Terry. Much progress has been made since we were there several months ago.

A bus has been purchased which is used not only to transport people to Sunday services but to take groups to various denominational meetings.

An educational building has been recently completed and fills a long felt need.

Several people spoke in complimentary terms of Pastor Booth.

Record readers in Hinds County are now listed as follows: Emmanuel, 39; Alta Woods, 22; Beulah, 53; Bethesda, 59; Bolton, 26; Bryam, 45; Chapel Hill, 39; Clinton, 245; Edwards, 35; Elaine, 49; Jackson, First, 1089; Jackson, Calvary, 1188; Jackson, Daniel Memorial, 186; Jackson, Davis Memorial, 132; Jackson, Griffith Memorial, 1; Jackson, Northside, 318; Jackson Parkway, 512; Jackson, Southside, 119; Jackson, Van Winkle, 248; Learned, 16; Midway, 17; Miss. College BSU, 57; Mt. Morgan, 12; New Haven, 31; Pocahontas, 25; Old Byram, 14; Raymond, 71; Salem, 31; Siewill, 44; Terry, 138; Utica, 72; West Jackson, 24; Leavell Woods, 10.

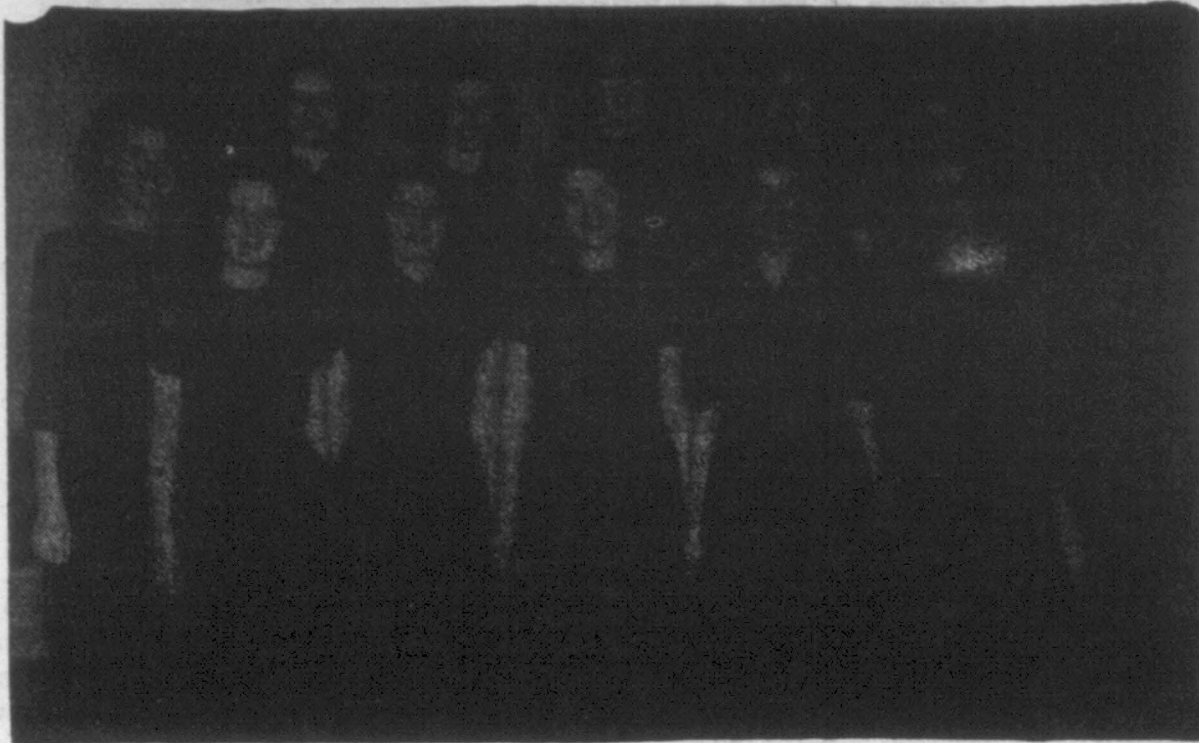
GOODMAN

While awaiting the coming of the new pastor, the Goodman saints invited us to supply for them on a recent Sunday.

Evidently the former pastor, Rev. A. T. Engell did a good work for the attendance had increased since our last visit, several months ago, and we heard that Mr. Engell had put them to work. Good crowds attended both services.

Holmes County now has Record readers listed as follows: Beulah, 25; Bowling Green, 1; Cruger, 23; Durant, 189; Ebenezer, 1; Emory, 9; Goodman, 47; Harlands Creek, 1; Horseshoe, 31; Lexington, 150; Mt. Pleasant, 44; Oak Grove, 17; Pleasant Ridge, 34; Tchula, 44; West, 32; Pickens, 47; Mt. Vernon, 14; Oregon, 12.

WOMAN'S COLLEGE ENSEMBLE TO SING AT MEADVILLE



Reading from left to right: Front row, Jo Anne Casteel, Magee, Miss., Jacqueline Hewitt, Jackson, Miss.; Betty Stevens, Hattiesburg, Miss.; Patricia Collins, Bude, Miss.; Elsie Parker, Jackson, Miss.

Reading from left to right: Second row, Anne Vera Oden, Hattiesburg, Miss.; Elizabeth Breckenridge, Hattiesburg, Miss.; Martha Hamilton, Hattiesburg, Miss.; Geanette Gilbo, Sumrall, Miss.; Joann Weaver, Hattiesburg, Miss.; June McKay, Mobile, Alabama; Gloria Hall, Wiggins, Miss.

The Varsity Ensemble, Mississippi Woman's College will appear on the Program at First Baptist Church, Meadville, March 20, at 2:30 P. M. Dr. I. E. Rouse, President of Mississippi Woman's College will deliver the address concerning the College Endowment Campaign. Every church in the Adams-Franklin Association will be represented to hear the Ensemble, and Dr. Rouse.

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Land Leads Stewardship
Revival At Winona, 1st

Dr. B. C. Land, Executive Secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Foundation, led in a Stewardship Revival at the First Church, Winona, last month.

The closing Sunday of the meeting was "Demonstration Day" and the congregation was asked to bring one week's tithes on that day. As a result, \$796 was given through the special tither's envelopes, exceeding the expected \$666.66 which was set as a goal. The yearly tithe potential was estimated to be \$41,392.

Tithers cards were distributed during the week and 296 were signed and placed in the Tither's box at the closing service.

Rev. C. B. Hamlett, III is the pastor at Winona.

SOUTHERN BAPTISTS CALLED
TO DAY OF PRAYER, MAY 4

MEMPHIS, Tenn. —(BP)— Dr. Robert G. Lee, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, has asked the denomination's churches and homes to observe Wednesday, May 4, as a day for repentance and prayer preliminary to the May 18-22 meeting of the Convention at Oklahoma City.

The Convention president, who is pastor of Memphis' Bellevue Baptist Church, urged pastors to emphasize the day as necessary "in view of the needs and miseries of the world — so varied and complex."

Dr. Lee also suggested that delegates plan to hold a special season of prayer just prior to and following each

session of the Convention, and that group prayer services be held in hotel rooms following each night session of the mass meetings.

"I would suggest also," Dr. Lee continued, "that in journeying to the Convention there be prayer meetings held on the trains and planes enroute to Oklahoma City."

"And, for all those who came in cars, why not pause occasionally for a prayer in the car on the side of the road or as stops are made at gas stations? And as it takes only one to drive a car, let those who are not driving hold occasional prayer sessions in the car as they journey."

New Hope, Covington Co.
Dedicates New Library

On the last Sunday in February, New Hope Church, Covington County, was privileged to have Dr. D. A. McCall, Executive Secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, to preach at the morning service on building a New Testament church.

On that same day the church library, built by Wilmer Lowery was dedicated. Miss Willene Grady was elected librarian and Miss Martha Aultman, assistant librarian. The library was named in honor of Dr. J. J. Bethea, who began his practice as a physician in the New Hope Community and who was at that time a member of the church.

On February 13, Mrs. Chester Ates, Willie Mae Womack, Elowyn Warren, and Nellie Joyce Kirkley, all from Pine Grove Church in Simpson County, presented a program on tithing, inspiring many members of the church in stewardship.

Although New Hope church has lost four of her oldest members during the last year the church continues to go forward under the leadership of Pastor C. S. Moulder. Five of the younger members have consecrated their lives to God: Paul David and Gerald Aultman, who are studying at Clarke College for the ministry; Mary Lillian Lott, who is studying at Clarke College as a Missionary volunteer, and Mrs. Roy Everett and Vencil Barr, who recently dedicated their lives to fulltime Christian service.

CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

By Rev. Leon V. Young, Clinton
J. T. Ford, Huntsville, Ala., from Sturgis, Ky.

Thomas J. Tichenor, Seventh Street Church, Memphis, from Paducah, Ky. Holden, Mo.

W. R. Woodell, First Bolivar, Tenn., from Crawfordville, Ark.

Luther Dorsey, First, England, Ark., from Star City.

Claude Stewart, Central, Mineral Springs, Ark.

R. W. Bishop, Grace, N. Little Rock, Ark.

Douglas M. White, First, Bassett, Va., from First, Dewitt, Ark.

Harry N. Hollis, assistant pastor, First Church, Jackson, Tennessee.

Joe Bomer, Blandville, Ky.

Ciel B. Rodgers, Wildwood Church, Ashland, Ky., from Zion Church, Henderson, Ky.

J. T. Ford, First, Huntsville, Ala., from First, Sturgis, Ky.

C. C. Buckalew, Calvary, Birmingham, from N. Atlanta Church, Atlanta, Georgia.

Robert L. Murphy, Fox Hall Church, Norfolk, Virginia, Bethel Church, Tabb, Virginia.

Vernon Sisco, First Caruthersville, Mo., from Halls Tenn.

J. E. Darter, Upton, Ky.

F. M. Dowell, First, Athens, Tenn., from First, Cleveland, Tenn.

Samuel T. Habel, First, Chapel Hill, N. C. from West End, Suffolk, Va.

Howard P. Gibbins, Athens, Ga., from Brainbridge, Georgia.

A. Douglas Aldrich, First, Lafayette, Tenn., from N. Springfield Church, Springfield, Tenn.

George Smith, Cheraw S. C. from Pleasant Grove Church, Greenville.

40 & 25 Years Ago

REV. J. L. BOYD, SR.

40 YEARS AGO

The Crystal Springs church "made a healthful increase in their contribution to Foreign Missions" — amounting to \$314.60.

25 YEARS AGO

Mrs. Mary Brent of Holmesville church Pike County promised the Lord all that her bale of cotton would bring over 30 cents. When the market price reached 35 cents per pound, she sold it and put the Baptist Record in all the homes of the members.

L. D. Sellers, a member of the Mt. Pisgah church ten miles north of Carrolton asks the Baptist Record readers to come to see them assuring them that they will "find corn bread, potatoes, molasses, ham meat and chickens; yes and a few pumpkins, and some of the best people in Mississippi."

Rev. F. H. Miller of Biloxi, a graduate of New Orleans Baptist Seminary (Bible Institute) and now a student of Clarke College has been called to the pastorate of Harmony Church in Winston County and Eden Church in Jasper County.

Sparks & Splinters

THE NEWTON CHURCH HAS LET the contract for the new church building. The base bid is \$148,319. Construction will begin after \$100,000 has been accumulated.

CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM RE-ceipts for the first two months of 1949 are \$1,062,703.57, compared to \$1,091,007.46 for the first two months of 1948. Total receipts through the Executive Committee for the first two months are \$2,568,265.69 compared with \$2,393,227.96 in 1948.

THE BOOK OF ACTS HAS BEEN SEL-ected for the Special Bible Study Week in January, 1950. Dr. William J. Fallis has been asked to prepare a book to guide in study.

BAPTISTS CARRIED ON A PRO-gram of stewardship conferences in Northern Georgia last year; did not carry on one in Alabama. Georgia shows a great increase; Alabama did not.

THE APRIL ISSUE OF HOME LIFE has an interesting letter from Dr. and Mrs. Wilfred Tyler, who are members of the Blue Mountain faculty. Mississippians will find the letter under the heading "Let's Read."

DR. CHARLES H. BOLTON, WHO WAS recently elected as Executive Secretary of the Southern Baptist Foundation at Nashville, Tennessee, has accepted that position and plans to assume his duties on May 1.

MRS. W. C. MORGAN, WIFE OF OUR Associate Training Union Secretary, has written an article entitled "Mommie, I Wanta Talk to God," which appears in the April Issue of Home Life. The article will be particularly helpful to parents in attempting to lead their young children in family devotions.

IS YOUR NURSERY TOO CROWD-ed? Can you not afford sufficient equipment. An article appearing in the April issue of the Sunday School Builder, entitled "If There Is Just One Room," and written by Miss Carolyn Madison, Mississippi's Elementary Secretary, tells how to make the most of available space and suggests ways to make your own equipment without cost.

W. OTIS SEAL, EDUCATIONAL DI-rector at the First Church, Columbus, has a helpful article in the April issue of The Sunday School Builder, telling how their Young People's department doubled their enrollment in twelve months. The article, entitled "We Provide for Young People," carries with it a picture of the Young People of First Church.

IN LAST WEEK'S ISSUE IT WAS stated that Rev. W. W. Kyzar, Jr. led in a revival meeting at Meadville. The meeting was led by Rev. W. W. Kyzar, Sr.

THE BAPTIST RECORD HAS RE-ceived a copy of the minutes of the Lebanon Association, which held its last meeting in the Glendale Church. They are well prepared and the printers did a good job. Rev. Troy A. Sumrall is the moderator and R. M. Sumrall is the clerk.

FROM THE BULLETIN OF THE First Church, Biloxi, we learned that the pastorium of the Second Church, Biloxi, was dedicated on Sunday afternoon March 6.

REV. EDWARD L. BYRD, PASTOR OF Highland Church, Meridian, spent last week in South Carolina, speaking at a series of District Brotherhood Meetings. John A. Farmer, Mississippian, formerly with the Sunday School Department of Mississippi, is Brotherhood Secretary for South Carolina.

"IS IT THE FIRST ADULT BUILD-ing" is the subject of an interesting article in the March issue of the Sunday School Builder. The author is Dr. G. Norman Price, pastor of Parkway Church, Jackson.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF the Southern Baptist Convention reports receipts of \$52,034 from Mississippi during the month of February. \$35,149 was designated and the remainder was for the cooperative program.

ARE YOUR HENS LAYING? I AM not attempting to recommend a laying mash, but I do want to make a suggestion if you are getting plenty of eggs. Just fill a crate for the boys and girls at your own Baptist Orphanage. They will cackle with joy. Thanks very much.

MRS. W. G. MIZE



Shown above is the attractive sign of the Fellowship Church in Smith County. Rev. Bob Lowe is the pastor.

POPE PIUS XII IS EXPECTED TO proclaim the dogma of the Assumption in 1950. The Roman Catholic view teaches that Mary, the mother of Jesus, was assumed bodily into heaven shortly after his death.

A NATIONAL GO-TO-CHURCH MOVE-ment has been launched by a group of prominent business men and educators. The campaign will be promoted through advertising media.

SOUTHERN BAPTISTS HAVE TODAY 33 per cent more territory in which they are promoting the Kingdom program than they had 25 years ago, and a population 72 per cent greater than that within the Convention bounds at that time. Dr. Curtis Redford, of the Home Mission Board, said in a Mission Day address recently at Southern Seminary, Louisville. There are 40 per cent more lost people in Southern Baptist states now than a quarter of a century ago, Dr. Redford said.

HEAVENLY SUNLIGHT IS THE theme of a thirty minute program conducted by Rev. C. L. Boland of Paynes each Sunday morning from station WNAG Grenada at 7:30. The program is sponsored by the Paynes and Mt. Pisgah churches.

THE Y. W. C. A. OF ATLANTIC CITY has severed connections with the national body with a statement that "the national organization and those connected therewith have been getting further and further away from the primary purpose of associating young women in personal loyalty to Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord."

TECHNIQUES OF A STEWARDSHIP Revival (50c) is a paper bound book by Dr. B. C. Land, Executive Secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Foundation. To put it briefly, the book covers the subject and will prove profitable to any reader. It is "a must" for pastors. Chapter subjects are: The Meaning of a Stewardship Revival; The Bible Plan of Church Finance; The Unified Church Budget; A Church Using Its Sunday School to Promote a Unified Budget; A Church Using Its Sunday School to Operate Its Unified Budget; How to Prepare a Local Church for a Stewardship Revival; How to Plan a Simultaneous Stewardship Revival; Demonstration Day in a Stewardship Revival; Techniques for Enlisting Tithers; How to Conserve the Results of a Stewardship Revival; How to Finance a Stewardship Revival; and How to Use Our Literature on Stewardship; Tithing, and Church Finance. Orders should be sent to the author, P. O. Box 530, Jackson.

MISSION DAY PROGRAMS READY FOR DISTRIBUTION

The Southern Baptist Denominational Calendar of Activities designates Sunday March 27 as Home and Foreign Mission Day.

On this day every Sunday School in the Southern Baptist Convention is asked to have a program on home and foreign missions. Each church can prepare its own program, but if they need help a suggested program has been arranged by Mrs. J. D. Sapp. The title is "Making Peace through Christ." This program is printed in the March issue of the Sunday School Builder.

A copy of the program has been sent to all general Sunday School superintendents and it is hoped that each church will make an offering for Home and Foreign Missions on that day. Offering envelopes have been provided and may be obtained free of charge by writing to the Committee on Denominational Calendar, 161 Eighth Avenue, North, Nashville 3, Tennessee. Please state how many envelopes you wish.

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CALENDAR OF PRAYER

- March 21—H. S. Groner, Superintendent, Baptist Memorial Hospital; Clarke College Focus Week.
- March 22—Dr. David E. Guyton, Blue Mountain College faculty; A. L. McGaugh, President, District two Brotherhood.
- March 23—Dr. S. R. Woodson, BSU Pastor Advisor, MSCW; Paul Townsend, Convention Board member, Deer Creek Association.
- March 24—Mrs. R. A. Marston, Educational Director, Baptist Orphanage; George T. Parker, Clarke College trustee.
- March 25—Mrs. E. A. Pryor, Young trict; John D. Morrow, Training Union Director, Prentiss Association.
- March 26—Dr. I. E. Rouse, general director, Woman's College Endowment Campaign; Floyd Barnes, Jackson, Mississippi Educational Commission.
- March 27—Home and Foreign Mission Day; Ralph H. Campbell, Gulf Coast Sunday School Superintendent.

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WORLD YOUTH CONGRESS TO MEET IN STOCKHOLM Program, Cost, Provisions Listed For Third Meeting

By Rev. Joel Sorenson, Stockholm

The first world-wide Baptist Youth meeting was held in Prague, Czechoslovakia in 1931, the second in Zurich, Switzerland in 1937. The third will be held in Stockholm, Sweden — August 3 - 9, 1949.

Why a New Congress?

The assembly of Baptist Youth will create and stimulate a deep spiritual fellowship on a world wide basis. It will give opportunity to young people to come together for deep and sincere thinking regarding the main problems confronting the Baptists all over the world — both as Christians and, in particular, as Baptists. Finally it will create a forum for realistic planning for the future. Steps will be taken to make the worldwide fellowship more real and practical.

Theme and Program

The program will be focused upon the theme: "Baptist Youth Facing The Future." Under this main feature the following important questions will be considered: "The Forces of the Day and the Power of God" "Christian Youth and Lasting Peace," "What Baptists Stand For," "Baptist World Fellowship," and "Evangelism in Modern Times." In connection with each of these subjects a paper will be prepared and printed. After a short review of the paper it will be discussed in groups, where as many nationalities as possible will be represented.

An important part of the program is the feature: "Effective Initiatives in Baptist Youth Work in Different Countries."

Each day will begin with a devotional period and will usually end with meetings of social and evangelistic intent. One evening will be "A Swedish Night," held in this famous City Hall of Stockholm. Another will be a large evangelistic meeting, a third — a big youth demonstration. One evening will be spent as a social evening and still another, the Swedish Baptist Choir Association — well known from the Baptist World Alliance congresses in Berlin, 1934 and Copenhagen, 1947 — will give a sacred concert in the Concert Hall of Stockholm.

The opening meeting will be held Wednesday the third of August and the closing, Tuesday, the ninth.

Sight-Seeing and Tours

Help in creating a good fellowship and to offer an opportunity to see a little of the congress-city and the country, tours will be arranged before and after the congress, taking in different parts of Sweden. Two afternoons of the congress week will be spent for sight seeing in Stockholm.

Cost and Registration

The cost of the congress will vary, depending upon the kind of accommodations delegates select and the amount they choose to spend on food. The registration fee will be five dollars. If the delegate will live in a home or in a simple dormitory and live economically otherwise, it will be possible to spend eight days in Stockholm for approximately thirty-five dollars. If he prefers a hotel room, the cost will be about fifty dollars. Of course, these prices are average. More or less can be spent according to the desire of the delegates.

A preliminary registration is requested by March 1st. The definite registration will have to be in the hands

JODA ISHEE LICENSED AT GLADE CHURCH, JONES



REV. JODA ISHEE

Joda Ishee was licensed to preach the gospel on March 13, by the Glade Church in Jones County, Rev. H. F. Williams, pastor. He has been an active Christian laymen for a number of years, but has only recently surrendered to the call to preach.

Mr. Ishee plans to enter Clarke College in the fall.

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Providence, Yazoo County Organizes Youth For Christ

A Youth for Christ Rally has been organized as a new phase of the program of Providence Church in Yazoo County. Its purpose is to bring the young people closer together and closer to God.

Its first program was held in the Valley School auditorium on March 5. William Lowrey Compere, Jr., of Jackson, rendered a marimba solo. Rev. W. L. Heath read the Scripture and Willie Spiers of Mississippi College, who is a chalk-talk artist, was the inspirational speaker.

The next meeting will be held on March 19.

of the congress committee — not later than May 15th.

Registration is to be made through the head office of the national youth organizations and applications should be sent through the national youth headquarters. Forms for the definite registration, will be sent to these headquarters.

Detailed information regarding costs, tourist and sight-seeing tours have been sent to all national headquarters. Thus, they are prepared to give more detailed information than is possible in this short presentation.

In addition to this, the Congress office is happy to answer any question regarding the Congress. The address is: the third Young Baptist World Congress, Klarabergsgatan 50, Stockholm, Sweden.

Welcome, Baptist Youth of the World!

We are expecting about 1,000 delegates, about 250 from the U. S. A. We are now working to obtain the necessary financial means to invite young Baptists from war-stricken countries, who desperately need contact with youth from other nations. It is even our hope to have some D. P.s as delegates. To everyone — warm and hearty welcome!

If we meet before the face of God, willing to completely surrender to God's will for our lives, open hearted for the guidance and power of the Holy Spirit, This congress may be one of the great events in the history of the Baptists.

Lula Completes \$32,671 Building

The Lula Church has completed and occupied its new plant. The building consists of a large auditorium with a balcony, ten Sunday School rooms, a pastor's study, kitchenette, two rest rooms baptistry, and two Mueller Climatrol heating units. More than \$32,671 was spent in the construction, with much material being salvaged from the old building.

At the first service in the new building on February 13, L. V. Martin led in the singing with Mrs. W. E. Barbee at the piano. A quartette from Marks Church brought the special music, and Pastor A. H. Childress brought a message on "What Hath God Wrought."

The annual revival has been set for May 22 and the Rev. Riley Munday of Hattiesburg will do the preaching. Plans are being made for a Bible School during the summer.

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Tacoma Baptists Erecting Unusual Church Building

TACOMA, Wash.—(RNS)—An edifice that has been hailed by churchmen and architects alike as one of the most distinctive churches in the Pacific Northwest is under construction here.

The structure, which will house the Temple Baptist church, will rise to four stories when ultimately completed, and will have an auditorium seating 1,000.

One of its unusual features will be a diamond-shaped auditorium with the pulpit in the far corner. The room will have no windows, light to stem from artificial fixtures and a

Booth To Lead In Goodwater Revival March 27-April 1



REV. THURMAN BOOTH

Rev. Thurman Booth, pastor of Terry Church, will be the visiting speaker for the Spring Revival at Goodwater Church, Magee, March 27-April 1.

Regular services will be held on Sunday, March 27, and each day following at 7 p. m. The public is cordially invited to attend all services.

Rev. Virgil D. Davis is the pastor.

large skylight. The shape of the auditorium will blend with the triangular-shaped tower at the front of the edifice. All construction is of reinforced concrete.

The new church, according to the Rev. R. L. Powell, pastor, is being erected on a pay-as-you-go basis. The church is at present holding services in the auditorium of the Masonic temple.

HOME BOARD RECEIPTS SHOW ANNUAL INCREASE

By Rev. Oley C. Kidd Birmingham, Ala.

The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has done, and is doing a good job. As a new territory opens for the operation of it's work we are also mindful that some fields where it has served no longer need help, but they have become strong sources of support in our cooperative work.

The Cooperative Program plan of support of our Kingdom Work is the very best we can have. However, there is danger of misleading people as long as we hold to the system of dividing on a percentage basis. Here follows a table showing the receipts of the Home Mission Board over a period of eight years, 1940 - 1948:

RECEIPTS OF HOME MISSION BOARD				
Year	Per Cent of Co. Program	Cooperative Program	Designated	Total
1940	23 1-3	\$ 245,403.26	\$ 28,568.65	\$ 273,971.91
1941	23 1-3	291,253.19	39,537.09	330,790.28
1942	23 1-3	333,785.71	390,291.55	724,077.26
1943	23 1-3	480,782.77	477,688.67	958,471.44
1944	23 1-3	636,372.48	502,832.30	1,139,240.78
1945	23 1-3	828,767.80	579,445.80	1,408,214.60
1946	23 1-3	836,427.74	648,255.16	1,484,682.90
1947	18	922,118.20	657,687.68	1,579,805.88
1948	18	1,035,242.34	692,493.45	1,727,735.79
		\$5,610,153.49	\$4,016,801.35	\$9,626,954.84

Although during the years 1940-1946 the percentage of the Cooperative Program was 23 1-3 per cent and 1947-48 it was only 18 per cent, the table reveals that receipts over this eight year period show a growing increase to both the Cooperative Program and Designated gifts. These figures indicate that instead of the work of the Board suffering a cut it has every year since 1940 been blessed with a larger income.

In fact, the 1948 income based on 18 per cent of the Cooperative Program was more than 6 times the income of 1940 when the Cooperative Program percentage was 23 1-3 per cent. Giving a Board in eight years time enough to increase their Budget by more than 6 times looks to me like fair support.

Therefore, I raise this question, would it not be wisdom for our Convention to require all of our Boards and Institutions to submit a Budget based on their needs to a Budget Committee, and they in turn to the Convention? It could be that the Cooperative Program would grow in favor with our Churches until the Home Mission Board Budget could be cared for with only 5 per cent of the Cooperative Program receipts.

By using this method all of our causes could be cared for and we would forget about percentage points and wake up to the fact that we are spending dollars.